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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Credit Mobilier Investigating Committee has caused a summons to issue for Col. L. H. McComb, of Delaware, who is supposed to have the letters of Mr. Ames upon which the charges were based. The members of Congress who are implicated will be simply requested to appear, it not being the custom to issue summonses for them. The attempt to foreshadow the outcome of the investigation by the journal, which was most unscrupulous, as well as most positive, in its preferment of the charges, is regarded here as an attempt to prepare the public mind for the utter failure of the original case.

A SPRING SESSION.

It is probable that all the agitation for a Spring session of the Forty-third Congress will receive a quietus by the introduction of a provision into the Legislative Appropriation bill, by which all members having regular credentials, and being entered upon the Clerk's list, shall receive their pay during the interim prior to the assembling of Congress in November next, the same as if sworn. The propriety of this has been thoroughly considered, and it is found to entail no expense upon the Treasury which does not already exist. This will satisfy that influence which has been most active in moving a Spring session.

THE ALABAMA QUESTION.

To-morrow the Attorney-General will hear the delegation from Alabama, appointed by the Republican wing of the Legislature, who have presented the letter of Gov. Lewis, as the substance of their cases. Yesterday Judge Williams was engaged chiefly in hearing the "Conservative," or Democratic side through State Senator Hamilton. The status of the two wings before the Department of Justice is now this: The Republican branch, which claims to be the Legislature, and is recognized as such by the Governor, has made a request for Government aid to suppress domestic violence, holding that the assumption of legislative powers by the body at the State-house is illegal, and hence an act of violence. The other side has not appealed for protection, but, claiming to be the legal Legislature, contents itself with laying its case before the Attorney-General, and, through him, before the President. There is yet no determination on the part either of the President or the Attorney-General as to what action will be taken. There seems, however, to be a strong opinion in official circles that the trouble ought to be, and can be, compromised.

HON. E. B. WASHBURNE.

Minister Washburne arrived here on Friday morning, and became the guest of Speaker Blaine. Though his presence here has not been generally known, he has received many calls from his old associates in Congress. Yesterday he rode out with the President, and in the evening Speaker Blaine gave a dinner party in his honor. Mr. Washburne left to-night to visit his father and brothers in Maine, and will sail for France on the 26th inst.

MR. COLFAX.

Referring to the revived rumor which connects Vice-President Colfax with a prominent journalistic position in New-York, it is understood that he informed several of his friends, who inquired today, that nothing had been settled in regard to it, and that his decision would depend on circumstances entirely removed from either journalism or politics.

SENATOR SPRAGUE.

It was stated in these dispatches, last week, that Senator Sprague was dropped by the Republican caucus. This was a mistake, though so reported at the time. The call for the caucus was so worded as to invite all those who voted for the Philadelphia nominees, and under it Senator Sprague attended.

THE GENEVA AWARD.

The State Department has not matured any proposition looking to the distribution of the Geneva award among the individual claimants, beyond the suggestions of the President's Message. It is probable that Senator Morton's bill, with some revision, will meet the requirements of the case.

THE KANAWHA CANAL.

Gen. Negley, of Pennsylvania, has prepared a bill to complete a water highway from tide-water on the James River to the Ohio River, at the mouth of the Kanawha, being the route to which the President calls the attention of Congress in his Message. This bill will probably be introduced in the House of Representatives on Monday. It provides for the relinquishment by the States of Virginia and West Virginia of their interest in the line as far as completed, and also for the purchase by them and cession to the United States of the private stock. In case of refusal to sell by private stockholders, provision is made for the United States to acquire title by condemnation. These preliminary conditions being satisfied, the work is to be begun and continued under the entire superintendence and management of the United States Engineer Bureau. As fast as the line is completed by the engineers, it is to be turned over to a board composed of ten Commissioners, the State of Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia and Virginia, each appointing one Commissioner, and the Secretary of the Interior being an *ex-officio* member. This Board is to manage and operate the line. The surplus tolls are to reimburse the United States for the expenses of construction, and after this reimbursement shall have been finished, the canal is to be a highway free to all American commerce save only such tolls as may be needed to operate it and keep it in repair. It is supposed that the bill will go to the Committee on Commerce and receive an early consideration.

AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

Mr. Webb has prepared a pamphlet to be submitted to the House Appropriations Committee, which sets forth the arguments in favor of a fleet steam-ship line from San Francisco to Australia, stopping at the Sandwich Islands. A mail subsidy of $500,000 is asked. It is claimed that one result of the establishment of this line will be to compel the shipment of all Australian products to England through the United States.

WEAR AND TEAR AMENDMENTS.

Gov. W. H. Hooper, Territorial Delegate from Utah, who has just arrived, does not expect that any attempt will be made to secure the admission of Utah as a State during the coming Winter. He believes the ultimate solution of the problem lies in the development of the material resources of the Territory. As an instance of this development he represents that the value of the products of Utah for the coming year will exceed $4,000,000.

THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE AND THE PRESIDENT.

The fact that the Electoral College of Louisiana failed to cast its vote for President and Vice-President on Wednesday last, is urged as an additional reason for the abolition of the Electoral College system. One State is thus left practically without a voice in the Presidential election, as the vote of the Electoral College would be a nullity, if cast on any other day. The consequences would have been of the most serious character if the result of the election had depended upon the vote of that particular State. It seems that there is no law providing for the removal of a President in the event of his becoming insane, and in case of insanity in a President the country would be in the same condition as was England in the time of George III. It is suggested that some remedies should be provided for these defects in our political system, and that there should be some lawful means found for testing the validity of a President's mental condition. At present the only remedy against fraud is a recourse to arms.

THE SUPREME COURT.

Some of the Judges of the United States Supreme Court are vrently opposed to the establishment of the proposed intermediate Court, with eighteen Judges, to whom different classes of cases should be assigned for decision. One of the Judges remarked recently that it would surely result in destroying the dignity and character of the Supreme Bench, and would reduce that body to the level of a town meeting.

THE "IRON-CLAD" OATH.

The bill introduced by Senator Ferry to repeal the iron-clad oath does not remove that oath from the Public Land laws. It is now required in pre-emption and homestead entries, and serves but poorly any just purpose, and protects no interest of the Government. It is simply an indignity and a hardship for persons who have been relieved of every other disability. Mr. Beck, it is understood, is preparing a bill which will strike this oath from the Land laws.

MR. LAMAR'S DISABILITIES.

The House Judiciary Committee yesterday voted to report favorably on the request of L. Q. C. Lamar for the removal of his disabilities.

GOV. WALKER AND THE KANAWHA CANAL.

The portion of Gov. Walker's message which relates to the James River and Kanawha Canal is unfavorably received by the Press of Virginia. It charges that Gov. Walker and his friends have been trying to get control of its construction and management.

SENTIMENT ON CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

A canvass has been made of the Republican members of the Illinois Congressional delegation to ascertain their views upon the existing civil service regulations, with the following result: Senator Logan, since the first Jenckes's Civil Service bill was discussed, six years ago, has been consistently and persistently opposed to the general introduction of the European system of civil service into this country. He has seen no reason to reconsider the views he expressed upon this subject years before the present regulations were suggested. He believes the principle is inimical to a Republican theory of government; that its application in practice can only result in the establishment of a bureaucracy, a civil army; that the adoption of a life-course in office is an initial step toward the election of a monarchical form of government. He does not oppose reform in civil service, but regards the European civil service system, recommended by Mr. Curtis' board of commissioners, as a very dangerous monarchical importation, utterly at variance with our theories of a republic. He believes honesty and efficiency in the public service can be secured, without disregarding the democratic spirit of our institutions, or the traditions of our people. He would manage the business of the Government as business men conduct a commercial house, and not in accordance with a system of monarchical technicalities. Thus much for Mr. Logan. In the House, Messrs. Farwell, Hawley, Shapp, Moore, and Beveridge are known to oppose the regulations. Burchard favors some system which will relieve Congressmen of the responsibility of appointments. Hawley expects to make all the appointments in his district or none. This embraces all the Republicans except the Liberal Farnsworth and Col. Hay. The Democrats were not canvassed.

MEXICO.

President Lerdo Installed in Office—Suspension of the Mayor of the City of Mexico for Election Frauds—Earthquake Shocks—A New Volcano.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 1, via HAVANA, Dec. 7.—Lerdo de Tejada, the new President, took formal possession of his office today, and to-morrow the Diplomatic corps will make an official visit. Preparations are making for a series of festivities in honor of the election of President Lerdo. Several changes in the Cabinet will be made immediately after the adjournment of Congress, which will take place on the 15th inst.

An election for President of the Supreme Court has been ordered for the second and fourth Sundays of February. Gens. Auza, Iglesias, and Riva-Palacios are candidates.

The Mayor and several Aldermen of the City of Mexico, who are charged with an attempt to commit fraud at the recent municipal elections, have been suspended by order of the Governor from their functions.

Porfirio Diaz arrived in the capital on the 17th, and had a satisfactory interview with the President. His presence in the city caused no excitement.

Matias Romero has returned from Guatemala. He now devotes himself to agricultural pursuits.

A number of shocks of earthquake were felt in Ucaris, Lower Michoacan. A new volcano was forming and the eruptions were frequent. Several scientific gentlemen have gone to the place.

Telegraphic communication between the City of Mexico and the United States has been re-established, and the members of the Associated Press of the Capital will meet to-morrow and celebrate the event, and at the same time honor the memory of Prof. Morse.

The Gen. Rosecrans railroad project, as modified, has passed Congress, and been sent to the Executive for approval.

A new light-house has been established at Vera Cruz.

FIRE IN ST. LOUIS.

Large Furniture Warerooms Burned, and Establishments Adjoining Badly Damaged.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 8.—The furniture warerooms of J. F. Comstock & Co., Nos. 409 and 411 North Third-street, were totally destroyed by fire this morning. Loss on stock, $75,000; insurance, $42,500—of which the Royal, of London; Peoples', of New-Jersey; Liverpool, London, and Globe, each lose $6,000, and the balance in home companies. The buildings were owned by J. C. Nulsen, and valued at $25,000; insured in the Glenn's Falls, of New-York, for $2,000; Hibernia, of Cleveland, for $2,000; Mutual Fire, of New-York, for $3,000, and $13,000 in St. Louis companies. The tobacco factory of Hammer & Hoeman, the liquor store of Nulsen, Freeman & Co., and the Holland Conserne Galvanized Iron-works, adjoining, were damaged by fire to the amount of several thousand dollars. The firemen, although assailed by men, were promptly on the spot, but it was only by the extraordinary exertions of the firemen that one of the most disastrous conflagrations was prevented.

COUNTERFEITERS ARRESTED.

Leaders of a Gang in Arkansas Captured—Material and Notes Seized.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 8.—A special agent of the Treasury Department, who for some months past has been on the trail of counterfeiters of railroad bonds, which were sold in New-York over a year ago, arrested two leaders of the gang last Saturday on the St. Francis River, near Bolivar, Ark. One of the men, named John M. Carpenter, is a steel-plate engraver, and was formerly in the employ of the Treasury Department at Washington. The other man gave the name of Edwin Lee, but is supposed to be the man who committed heavy forgeries in New-Orleans a few years ago. A large amount of unfinished bonds and United States Currency notes were found in their possession, also plates, presses, and other material. The prisoners arrived here to-day, and will be taken to Washington at once.

Disabled Steamer on the Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—The steamer Orizaba arrived at Santa Barbara today with one wheel disabled. The passengers will be transferred to the Senator for San Diego.

TROUBLED FRANCE.

Birth and Growth of the Present Crisis.

M. Thiers' Position—The Will of the Majority—The President's Policy—The Question at Issue—Orleanist Views—The Assembly.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, Nov. 22, 1872.

All the journals of the morning assert that the governmental crisis still exists and each party accuses the other of being its cause. "A means of settlement exists," says the Left, "for if you will come upon our ground all will be over; if you do not you are a *réactionaire* bent solely upon the destruction of the Republic." "This matter can be very easily settled," says the Right, "for M. Thiers had only to proclaim himself conservative to win our support even for *his* Republic. All we ask is that he shall disavow *the other* Republic." But M. Thiers will say nothing of the kind, for if he did he would lose his Radical support. It is does not the majority becomes the opposition. He has been very clever hitherto in playing these parties off against each other, but this time he missed his arm through too great self-confidence, and came very near being crushed between them. Let me here record one important fact, and it is one which should always be borne in mind, when reading the daily telegrams from Versailles: The Monarchical Right, the actual majority in the Chamber, does not want to overthrow the Republic, nor does it desire to part with M. Thiers. I lay particular stress upon this fact, because it gives the key to the situation. Beyond doubt the Right is hostile to the idea of founding a definite Republic in France; but for the moment they desire nothing so much as the preservation of the provisional Republic with M. Thiers. All they ask is that it shall be conservative, parliamentary, and legal, and that no hope shall be left the Radicals that they will be allowed to succeed to power. Considering what has transpired in France, this seems a fair and legitimate demand. But, having the majority—as was clearly shown on Monday—and, being hostile to the Republican idea, why do they wish to preserve M. Thiers and his Republic? Simply because they cannot agree upon a successor, and become thoroughly demoralized when they try to pitch upon one.

THE PRESIDENT'S POLICY.

Upon this want of concord M. Thiers has successfully played, and will continue to play, I believe, despite his check of Monday last, for, if beaten in one way, he will make it up in another. Failing to get the vote by playing off the parties, as usual, he retired to the Prefecture, "to consider whether or not he could remain at the head of the government," and to negotiate. Immense success has attended his negotiative. The de Kerdrel Committee in reply to the Message, was composed of nine men hostile to the policy enunciated, and six in favor of it. Today three of the nine have been won over, by what means, I cannot say, and M. Thiers is once more triumphant. He demands a vote of confidence in a very haughty way, and says he shall have it upon the propositions for constituting the Republic. There is every reason to believe he will get it, for the only chance of an understanding on the part of the majority, is to spring a question upon them. Once let them have time for reflection and consultation, and their courage fails them.

THE QUESTION AT ISSUE.

The real question now at issue is by no means new. It has been brought forward under every Government which has existed for the past eighty years or more. It came up under the Empire on the interpellation of the 116. It is the parliamentary question—the question to know if the last word in matters of Government belongs to the Legislative power or to the Executive—to a man, or to an Assembly elected by the nation. To get at the real point at issue we must "boil down" a vast mass of matter, and eliminate a vast number of ingredients in order to reduce it to the simplest form. Setting aside, therefore, the question of Radicals and Conservatives, and the incident of Monday, what is the matter? There is on one side a Government chosen by an Assembly which is the only power chosen by the people. On the other hand there is the majority of that Assembly which represents the country, at least until new elections are held. Has that majority the right to dictate the policy of the Government made by itself? That is the question, put as simply as I can put it. Under the English system—under all successful systems of parliamentary government, the Executive power ought to adopt the policy of one-half of the legislative body, plus one or more. It is for this and nothing more, for the moment, that the Right is contending. M. Thiers has another system, and hence the present conflict. His Government has escaped from the hands of the majority; they wish to recapture it. The means to be employed are all legal, the chief being a homogeneous Cabinet, solidaire and responsible, chosen from the majority. The process is simple, it has been tried, it has worked well in England and Belgium, and elsewhere, and it is needless to convoke the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences to determine what a parliamentary government should be. M. Thiers will not consent to this, because a chief of a parliamentary government cannot enter into party struggles, nor come into parliament to impose his conditions. His ideas are borrowed from the old régime, and differ in nowise from those of Louis XIV, or Louis XV. The struggle is, therefore, between the old personal government and parliamentary government, and not between republic and monarchy. The English grasped their parliamentary liberties long ago and held them; the French have had theirs many times in hand, but have always given them up to a savior or to usurpa providential man. Once more they have them in their power, but before this letter reaches you M. Thiers will have seized them all, and have become as strongly a personal ruler as ever reigned in France.

ORLEANIST VIEWS.

But, it may be asked, what about the Republic? Does M. Thiers mean to found it? Yesterday I had a conversation with a gentleman who was an employe of the Thiers Government under Louis Philippe. I asked the question, or rather made the statement that he would found the Republic. "You think so," said my acquaintance, "then you will be mistaken. M. Thiers wishes to found nothing but M. Thiers. One of two things will happen, either he will be overthrown by the Radicals, or some fine day, when his Orleanists are in possession of every office in the country, and of the army as well, he will find that France is not republican. He will say, 'I always told you so, but was willing to have the trial,' and then he will put the vote to the people in a way to insure success. Do you think the Comte de Paris is silent for nothing? Do you think d'Aumale would be so quiet but for an understanding? Do you think the Duc de Chartres was put into the army flogging for nothing? Can you point to a single office not filled by an Orleanist?" "Yes," I interrupted, "Jules Ferry is at Athens; Picard"—— "There is just the point; they are not Orleanists and are sent out of the country. Do you know that more than one hundred and twenty Radical Mayors and Prefects have recently been removed?" Put in this way, the case does seem strong, but I had never seen the facts in just that light. He went on: "M. Thiers is just as much in favor of a parliamentary government as you or I. It is his hobby. He was always preaching it, and writing about it under the Empire. He wants it now, but he has to manage the Radicals until he has his wires laid throughout France. His first wish is to save his name in history; his second is to leave a parliamentary government to France, and with the grandson of Louis Philippe at its head. Doubtless he would prefer to be succeeded by President d'Aumale in order to leave the latter with the responsibility of overthrowing the republic; but rest assured he will leave the Duke with ample means to the end." The peculiar part of all this is that my acquaintance is a zealous Orleanist, and was delighted to know "that things were going on well." He even began by remonstrating with me for not taking to the d'Orleans, for it was always "better for a man to put himself on the winning side." He said that the reason why M. Thiers would not consent to new elections was not through fear of the Bonapartists, but because they would result in a strong Radical majority in the Assembly, and one too strong to be managed. "The partial elections," said he, "will bring in 'Republicans,' but Republicans who were, who are, and who always will be, thorough Orleanists at heart." There is very little in this which struck my personal opinions, but as it is well to know the opinions of all parties, I give you those of an Orleanist and an optimist.

THE ASSEMBLY.

The debates in the Chamber this week have been upon M. Dufaure's Jury bill, the idea being to so arrange matters as to make the jury respectable, and to admit none but men of intelligence upon it. In France a man is not allowed to sit upon the jury because so ignorant that he has not read a newspaper, nor is there any challenging or questions about forming an opinion. A jury is a jury, and the twelve men drawn are bound to do their duty, the Judge telling them ordinarily what that duty is. At any rate they are treated like men of honor, and are presumed to give a verdict according to evidence, whose convictions they may have previously formed to the contrary. M. Dufaure wishes to confine the jury to men of a certain education and intelligence, and malicious tongues say that this is due to the fact that he cannot get an ordinary jury to convict for délits of the Press. His bill was begun after the acquittal of James Rochefort, Mortimer-Ternaux, was due to a stupid Norman jury. Lachaud, who pleaded for M. Janvier, says he never fails with an ordinary Norman jury, for if all other means fail, he has only to introduce some abuse of England to win them over. It is a curious fact that the people are more indignant at this bill than the Press. Its

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

HOW I FOUND LIVINGSTONE. Travels, Adventures, and Discoveries in Central Africa. Including Four Months' Residence with Livingstone. By HENRY M. STANLEY, Traveling Correspondent of the New-York *Herald*. With Maps and Illustrations after Drawings by the Author. *Published only by subscription.* New-York: SCRIBNER, ARMSTRONG & CO.

The search of Dr. Kane for Franklin in the Arctic regions, and Stanley's expedition for the relief of Livingstone in Africa, are exploits which Americans may always mention with pardonable pride, and which Englishmen will recall with heartfelt gratitude. The lamented Kane brought back with him relics which gave mournful testimony to the fact that Franklin had not only failed in the object of his expedition, but that he had himself fallen a sacrifice to his inexorable determination to solve mysteries which had defied all previous explorers, and which still remain. By a conjunction of circumstances which a fatalist would almost acknowledge to be Providential, Stanley reached Livingstone at the moment when he was nearly succumbing under an accumulation of difficulties and hardships which would long before have crushed an explorer, let us say, not only less experienced than himself, but who was not sustained by that same Christain trust and fortitude which had borne him up during the weary years that he had been waiting for the aid and succor that he rightfully but vainly expected from his own countrymen. Kane brought back with him a shattered constitution and the seeds of the disease which shortly after terminated his brilliant and honored career. Stanley comes home with his irrepressible vigor not one whit abated, and full of an ambition which it is safe to predict will be spurred on to still other efforts by the cordial praise which has been so generously and so lavishly, yet so deservedly, bestowed. These two men—Kane and Stanley—may well be named together, and the records of their exploits, so strongly contrasted in details, and yet so similar in the noble philanthropy and earnest chivalry which they illustrate, will stand as companion pictures, deserving careful study from all young Americans, and, it is to be hoped, exciting their most earnest emulation.

The public are already well acquainted with the general outlines and the results of Stanley's Expedition in search of Dr. Livingstone; but the telegrams and letters, the speeches before geographical societies, and at public dinners, in which the main facts have been exploited, stand in the same relation to this narrative that the rough sketches and studies of the artist do to the completed picture.

Acting on the instinct of a trained newspaper correspondent, of writing up events to the latest moment, Mr. Stanley, in preparing this account of the way in which he found Livingstone, has very judiciously thrown aside, not only his letters, but even his diary, only giving us extracts from that where they fit naturally into his narrative. By taking this course he has avoided the error which travelers—not excepting the great Livingstone himself—so often commit of cumbering their story with a mass of details interesting enough to them at the time they may have been jotted down, but infinitely wearisome to the reader who is compelled to wade through page after page which have come to possess no significance whatever, and which indicate in reality nothing even regarding the means through which failure may have been encountered or success achieved. From the brief and somewhat dramatic introduction in which Mr. Stanley tells how he came to go to Africa, to the frank and apologetic postscript in which he takes back some of the hard blows he had dealt in the heat of his indignation at the skeptical geographers, the narrative has a unity and compactness which add greatly to its readableness. It moves steadily forward, with an animation, and a certain vigor, freshness, and breeziness unusual in works of its class, while the sensationalism that marked the letters in which Mr. Stanley first communicated his experiences to the public, is toned down so thoroughly as to show that he fully understands the difference between making a book and writing for the New-York *Herald*. There are occasional evidences of haste in preparing the volume for the press, but these are fewer than might have been anticipated when it is remembered that the nearly 800 octavo pages of which it is composed, were written in five weeks, and that, too, while the irrepressible author was going through with innumerable dinners and receptions. This exploit of itself is by no means the least noteworthy of those connected with the search after Livingstone.

The main facts of Mr. Stanley's expedition are so well known that it is necessary only to present the briefest résumé of them in this connection. Mr. Stanley reached the island of Zanzibar, the starting-point of his, and, indeed, of nearly all the important expeditions which have tried to penetrate Central Africa, on Jan. 6, 1871. Here he was to purchase his supplies and organize the force with which he was to seek Livingstone—to relieve him, if alive, and to bring back positive intelligence of him if he were dead. The necessity of concealing the actual object of his mission largely increased the difficulties he encountered. Until he reached Zanzibar he did not realize that letters of credit could only be made available there by submitting to a discount of twenty to twenty-five per cent., and that he might have avoided this "shave" by taking with him gold. Nor did he have any practical idea of the kind or quantity of stores which it was necessary he should take with him. The accounts of previous explorers in this regard were exceedingly vague, and direct inquiry of the officials in the service of the British Government, at Zanzibar, and who could best have advised him, would involve the necessity of stating that his only object in penetrating Africa was to find and relieve Livingstone. Fortunately he finally came upon Sheikh Bashid, a wealthy Arab merchant of Zanzibar, who had dispatched several caravans into the interior, and who had precisely the practical knowledge which Mr. Stanley lacked. The quantity of cloth and of beads, with the proportionate colors of each needed—for some of the tribes in the interior preferred one color and some another—with the amount of copper wire and other articles to be used as currency in purchasing supplies, all required the most careful study and apportionment. Then there were men to be hired and animals to be purchased, and with all his energy Mr. Stanley found himself detained at Zanzibar until March 21, seventy-three days. This brought him to the middle of the rainy season, but there was good omen in the month, notwithstanding, for it was in March, 1866, just five years previous, that Livingstone had left Zanzibar. Stanley's pluck, determination, courage, endurance, and fertility of resource were enough to carry him through or over all obstacles; but in his weary marches through the swamps of the East coast he found one experience of his earlier years stand him in good stead. He had been acclimated in the ague-breeding swamps of Arkansas; but this, although no protection in itself against the miasms of Africa, taught him how to use that sovereign remedy, quinine, and with this drug he battled, with more or less success, the twenty-three attacks of fever which he had in thirteen months. As it left Bagomoyo, Stanley's caravan numbered three white men, twenty-three soldiers, four supernumeraries, four chiefs, 158 Pagazis, twenty-seven donkeys, and one cart conveying cloth, beads and wire, boat-fixings, tents, cooking utensils and dishes, medicines, powder, small shot, musket-balls, and metallic cartridges, instruments and small necessaries, such as soap, sugar, tea, coffee, Liebig's extract of meat, candles, &c., making a total of 153 loads. It took six weeks to get this large caravan started, in five detachments, from Bagomoyo. A month after leaving this place the caravan arrived at Simbamwenni, in the fertile valley of the Ungerengeri, and on June 23—ninety days from Bagomoyo—Stanley reached Unyanyembe, into which place he made a sort of triumphal entry, the whole force, somewhat diminished by sickness, it is true, having been put in the best possible trim, so as to make as favorable an impression as possible. Up to this point there had been the inevitable difficulties of African exploring expeditions to contend with;—unwilling leaders, followers now and then almost mutinous, and only held in check by the strong hand of the chief, marshes made trebly difficult and next to impassable by the heavy rains; but beyond Unyanyembe greater obstacles still threatened. Mirambo, of Uyoweh, blocked the road to Ujiji, Stanley's objective point, and declared that no caravan should ever again go through the country. Joining the Arab army, which avowed its purpose of forcing a way through, Stanley aided in storming a palisaded village, but the excitement of the attack, which was completely successful, joined with his previous exposure, brought on a violent attack of fever, and a day or two later, while he was confined to his tent, he was thrown into consternation at the news that the Arab army had been ambushed and utterly beaten by Mirambo. A retreat to Unyanyembe followed, and after remaining there until Sept. 20 Stanley made another start for Ujiji, having determined to adopt Gen. Sherman's tactics by making a detour and flanking the redoubtable Mirambo. This strategy was entirely successful, and on Nov. 10 the waters of Tanganyika came in sight. Ujiji was reached and Livingstone was found and relieved. These exciting and thrilling incidents, in the main long ago familiar to the public, are worked up anew in Mr. Stanley's narrative with marked dramatic skill, but we need not rehearse them here. The recapitulation of a few of the leading dates will show how providentially the movement to relieve Livingstone was timed. On Oct. 17, 1869, two years and a month before the relief expedition reached Ujiji, Stanley received his commission. At that very time Livingstone was lying disabled, from ulcers on his feet, at Bambarre, the most important ivory depot of Manyema. While Stanley was journeying through Persia and India to Zanzibar, Livingstone was exploring the Lualaba, or Webb's River, as he had named the part of it on which he then was. This he traced as far as latitude 4° south, and then, baffled and disheartened through lack of supplies and the faithlessness of his followers, he was "compelled to return on the weary road to Ujiji, a distance of 700 miles." Certainly it was a remarkable Providence which brought him to this point, "a mere ruckle of bones" and fairly "dying on his feet," as he described himself, only four weeks before Stanley reached Ujiji. During the four months that Stanley spent with Livingstone he had ample opportunity for studying his character, and from the detailed description which he gives of him we condense the following. Mr. Stanley writes:

I lived with Dr. Livingstone from the 10th November, 1871, to the 14th March, 1872; witnessed his conduct in the camp, and on the march, and my feelings for him are those of unqualified admiration. He is about sixty years old, though after he was restored to health he appeared more like a man who had not passed his fiftieth year. His hair has a brownish color yet, but is here and there streaked with gray lines over the temples; his beard and moustache are very gray. His eyes, which are hazel, are remarkably bright; he has a sight keen as a hawk's. His teeth alone indicate the weakness of age; the hard fare of Lunda has made havoc in their lines. His form, which soon assumed a stoutish appearance, is a little over the ordinary height, with the slightest possible bow in the shoulders. When walking, he has a firm but heavy tread, like that of an overworked or, if strained man. He is accustomed to wear a naval cap with a semi-circular peak, by which he has been identified throughout Africa. His dress, when first I saw him, exhibited traces of patching and repairing, but was scrupulously clean.

I was led to believe that Livingstone possessed a splenetic, misanthropic temper. Some have said that he is garrulous, that he is demented; that he has utterly changed from the David Livingstone whom people knew as the reverend missionary; that he takes no notes or observations but such as those which no other person could read but himself; and it was reported, before I proceeded to Central Africa, that he was married to an African princess. I respectfully beg to differ with all and each of the above statements. During the four months I was with him, I noticed him every evening making most careful notes; and a large tin box that he has with him contains numbers of field note-books, the contents of which, I dare say, will see light some time. His maps, also, evince great care and industry. As to the report of his African marriage, it is unnecessary to say more than that it is untrue, and it is utterly beneath a gentleman even to hint at such a thing in connection with the name of Dr. Livingstone.

In Livingstone I have seen many amiable traits. His gentleness never forsakes him; his cheerfulness never deserts him. No harassing anxieties, distraction of mind, long separation from home and kindred, can make him complain. He thinks "all will come out right at last;" he has such faith in the goodness of Providence.

There is a good-natured abandon about Livingstone which was not lost on me. Whenever he began to laugh, there was a contagion about it that compelled me to imitate him. It was such a laugh as Herr Teufelsdröckh's—a laugh of the whole man from head to heel. If he told a story, he related it in such a way as to convince one of its truthfulness; his face was so lit up by the sly fun it contained, that I was sure the story was worth relating, and worth hatening to.

The wan features which had shocked me at first meeting, the heavy step which told of age and hard travel, the gray beard and bowed shoulders, belied the man. Underneath that well-worn exterior lay an endless fund of high spirits and incalculable humor; that rugged frame of his inclosed a young and most exuberant soul. Every day I heard innumerable jokes, witticisms, amusing anecdotes, terrifying stories, in which his friends Oswell, Webb, Vardon, and Gordon Cumming were almost always the chief actors. I was not sure, at first, but this joviality, humor, and abundant animal spirits were the result of a joyous hysteria, but, as I found they continued while I was with him, I am obliged to think them natural.

Another thing which specially attracted my attention was his wonderfully retentive memory. If we remember the many years he has spent in Africa, deprived of books, we may well think it an uncommon memory that can recite whole poems from Byron, Burns, Tennyson, Longfellow, Whittier and Lowell. The reason of this may be found, perhaps, in the fact that he has lived all his life almost, we may say, within himself.

The study of Dr. Livingstone would not be complete if we did not take the religious side of his character into consideration. His religion is not of the theoretical kind, but it is a consistent, earnest, sincere practice. It is neither demonstrative nor loud, but manifests itself in a quiet, practical way, and is always at work. It is not aggressive, which sometimes is troublesome if not impertinent. In him a million exhibits the lowest features; it governs his conduct not only toward his servants, but toward the natives, the bigoted Mohammedans, and all who come in contact with him. Without it Livingstone, with his ardent temperament, his enthusiasm, his high spirits and courage, must have become uncompanionable, and a hard master. Religion has tamed him, and made him a Christian gentleman; the crude and willful have been refined and subdued; religion has made him the most companionable of men and indulgent master—a man whom society is measurable to a degree.

I have often heard his servants discuss our respective merits. "Your master," say my servants to Livingstone's, "is a good man; very good man; he does not beat you, for he has a kind heart; but your master is sharp—hot as fire"—"mkali sana, kane moto." From being hated and thwarted in every possible way by the Arabs and half-castes upon first arrival in Ujiji, he has, through his uniform kindness and mild, pleasant temper, won all hearts. I observed that universal respect was paid to him. Even the Mohammedans never passed his house without calling to pay their compliments and to say, "The blessing of God rest on you." Each Sunday morning he gathers his little flock around him, and reads prayer and a chapter from the Bible, in a natural, unaffected, and sincere tone; and afterward delivers a short address, in the Kisawahili language, about the subject read to them, which is listened to with evident interest and attention.

There is another point in Livingstone's character about which readers of his books, and students of his travels, would like to know, and that is his ability to withstand the dreadful climate of Central Africa, and the consistent energy with which he follows up his explorations. His consistent energy is native to him and to his race. He is a very fine example of the perseverance, doggedness, and tenacity which characterise the Anglo-Saxon spirit; but his ability to withstand the climate is due not only to the happy constitution with which he was born, but to the strictly temperate life he has ever led. A drunkard and a man of vicious habits could never have withstood the climate of Central Africa.

All the world knows that Mr. Stanley's return to the coast, after four months' sojourn with Livingstone, was accomplished with comparatively little difficulty. Although abundant material of interest might be found in sketching Stanley's adventures during this part of his travels, we shall content ourselves with the briefest possible statement of the results thus far achieved geographically. First of all, the expedition over Lake Tanganyika, in company with Livingstone, settled conclusively the fact that the Rusizi River flows into the Lake. This discovery, which settles the course of the whole Tanganyika water-shed, as it was made with Mr. Stanley's men and supplies, gained him the Victoria medal from the Royal Geographical Society. This makes it seem probable that the outlet of the Tanganyika waters—if, indeed, they have any—is not toward the north. A well-informed writer in the London *Times* makes the following succinct statement of the geographical questions involved in the joint discoveries of Livingstone and Stanley:

Lake Tanganyika, lying 540 miles inland, is a sheet of water stretching north and south for near 300 miles, but with an average breadth of but 30 miles. Stanley's Pillars on the sigma are about 300 miles to the south-west of it, and is known to belong to another watershed, but one of the great problems which Livingstone has been engaged in solving is whether the Tanganyika waters have or have not any outlet into Baker's Albert Nyanza, and so into the Nile. The south extremity of Baker's Lake would seem to be distant scarcely 200 miles from the north shore of Tanganyika. But Livingstone and Stanley found that the Rusizi River, the grand hope of the upholders of this theory of the Tanganyika connection, flows into, and not out of the lake, and nearly all the practical public seems probable that the Tanganyika waters have no outlet at all, or at least that their outlet is not toward the north. But there is still another question, the answer to which will, as Livingstone hopes, bring the Nile sources as far down as 11° or 12° south, or 180 miles below the south extremity of Tanganyika. The Chambesi, a distinct river from the Zambesi, which flows into the Mozambique Channel, rises, as Livingstone has found, in about 11° south, and flows south-westerly into Lake Bangweolo, the southern shore of which touches the twelfth parallel of south latitude. From this lake Livingstone has traced the line of drainage by large rivers flowing north, first to Lake Moero, in the same latitude as the south end of Tanganyika, but about 190 miles west of it, thence north-west to Kamolondo, a lake about 240 miles south-west of Tanganyika and a degree or so south of the latitude of Ujiji, thence northerly to a point at which he was obliged to turn, and which brought him near an unknown lake. The unknown lake lies in the latitude of the northern head of the Tanganyika, and about the same distance west of it as Lake Kamolondo, and should a river flow, as Dr. Livingstone supposes, from this nameless water to the Albert Nyanza, the southern shore of which may not be further than 200 miles to the north-east, the connection between the Chambesi, rising in 12° south, and the Nile, flowing into the Mediterranean in 30° north, will be complete. This final link in the chain has yet to be proved. Some geographers maintain that the relative altitudes of the various waters will prevent it ever being proved at all. However this may be, we hope we have made clear the localities of the great water-shed which Dr. Livingstone has been exploring for five long years, which begins on the south of Tanganyika, sweeps round it to the west, and ultimately, perhaps, to its direct north and to the Nile.

So much for the immediate additions to our knowledge of the interior of Africa, for which we are indebted to Dr. Livingstone and Mr. Stanley. Geographically, they are highly important, but the remoter results of Mr. Stanley's enterprise are certain to be more far-reaching and important than he could himself have anticipated. First of all, the British Government has been aroused to renewed and more determined efforts than ever before for the suppression of the slave-trade, and before many weeks have passed Sir Bartle Frere will be at Zanzibar with a force amply sufficient to suppress this infamous traffic. Private enterprise, with the aid of a government subsidy, has also established a line of steamers to make monthly trips between Zanzibar and Aden. Two English expeditions are fitting out to make further explorations in Central Africa—one under Lieut. Grandy, the expenses of which are to be paid by Mr. James Young, of Kelly, to explore the Congo, and another, under Lieut. Cameron, is about to start from Mombas, on the East coast, to determine whether the Victoria Nyanza is one lake or a group of four. Two German expeditions are also fitting out to settle the question of the sources of the Congo. And this extraordinary activity, especially on the part of the British Government, is largely due to the fact that it has been so far outstripped by an American explorer, sustained by private means.

In giving this summary of the contents of Mr. Stanley's notable narrative, we have purposely avoided those episodes in which American readers would naturally take little interest—such, for instance, as the difficulty between Dr. Kirk and Dr. Livingstone. This difference these two former friends and companions may safely be left to settle between themselves when they shall again meet each other, as we sincerely hope they may, before many months pass by. To Mr. Stanley's battle with the Geographical Society of Great Britain, also, we need barely refer. That he was grossly and gratuitously insulted by that body at the very time when, all other considerations aside, he deserved the most courteous consideration as its guest, is known to all. The vigor with which he again and again returns to his assault upon the members of this body in these pages, will enable the reader of the volume to appreciate the furious onslaughts which were provoked on the spot by Dr. Galton's "elongated smile" and Sir Henry Rawlinson's skeptical request for "facts, instead of sensational stories." For such a remorseless carrying of the war into Africa, these venerable "easy-chair geographers" were so illy prepared that, as all know, they surrendered at discretion, recalled all the unhandsome things they had said, and bestowed upon Mr. Stanley the highest honor in their gift—the Victoria medal. Even though there may have been a tinge of ungraciousness in the address which accompanied the medal in the statement that "the enterprise of Stanley and the shortcomings of our own (the English) expedition acquire geographical importance, through Livingstone alone," Mr. Stanley may find full satisfaction for this in the frank admission of the London *Times*, that it "entirely denies, repudiates, and deplores" this assertion. With such an emphatic disavowal as this—and the medal—Mr. Stanley may rest content, and it will be only another manifestation of his generosity if he is already forgiving him in his heart, as he has already forgiven him in his book, for the indirect moment he felt, his repeated insults on the Geographical Society, and to drop all unkind references to that body in the lectures which he is now delivering.

As regards the narrative which we have briefly sketched, we need only say again, that it is full of picturesque description, of racy portraiture of individuals, and of graphic and vigorous accounts of adventure as thrilling as any traveler need wish to tell. Its very unaffectedness gives it a freshness which more practiced writers would willingly commit Mr. Stanley's faults of style to be able to attain, and with these distinguishing characteristics, *How I Found Livingstone* will easily take and hold a place of its own among the most famous books of travel. The publishers have performed their part of the work most creditably. The type is large and clear; the book admirably printed, the illustrations are numerous, evidently life-like, and many of them exceedingly artistic, while the maps are full, clear, and comprehensive. A testimony to the probable popularity of the work, which we judge will prove much more of an annoyance than a gratification to both author and publisher of *How I Found Livingstone*, is furnished in the swarm of compilations which unprincipled parties have sprung upon the market to catch some of the favor to which this work is fairly and exclusively entitled. The public are eager to give a cordial recognition to Mr. Stanley, and to reward him for the peril and exposure which he encountered. That they can do by taking care to purchase this, which is the only authorized account of his expedition, and the sole one in which he has any interest.

VIRGINIA.

The Political Situation in the State—The Lessons of the Past and Intents for the Future.

The following interesting letter on the political situation in Virginia, was read to the Electoral College of that State on Wednesday, by Col. John W. Jenkins, Elector at large:

ABINGDON, Va., Nov. 29, 1872.

Col. John W. Jenkins, Elector at Large:

DEAR SIR: I have received your letter, but fear I shall not be in Richmond on the 4th of December. I should be very glad to exchange congratulations with the Electors on the signal result we have achieved in Virginia.

That result, so confidently expected by you and me, but so astounding to our political opponents, does not admit of doubtful interpretation.

The Conservative leaders conducted the canvass with unusual energy, and, having failed, they must ascribe their defeat to something else than popular indifference. Almost the entire Press of the State was in their service; almost every State office-holder, and every expectant candidate for State and county offices was conspicuously active for them. The almost unanimous Bar, and nearly all the practical public speakers were industriously in the field in their behalf. The great body of the wealth and education of the State gave them aid, and a monopoly of that commodity possessed by the wealthy class called "respectability." Finally, they had absolute command of the Custom-House offices, who appoint all registering officers and judges of elections; and these formed a working staff 3,000 strong, and constituted a machinery itself worth 10,000 to 20,000 votes. The accustomed appliances for coercing the poor and intimidating the yielding into terms were in stern and vicious activity everywhere. And yet, marvelous to themselves, they failed! They polled only about 60,000 of the 120,000 votes which they claimed to possess.

It will not do to pretend that 30,000 voters were indifferent to the result. The canvass had been too active and too embittered to allow of such

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

Closing Prices of Cotton in New-York Today.

	Uplands	Alabama	N. O.	Texas.
Ordinary	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Good Ordinary	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Strict Good Ordy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Low Middling	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Middling	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Good Middling	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

DRUGS AND DYES—There has been a generally quiet business reported within the previous range for most kinds of stock.

DYE-WOODS—Logwood is in demand at firm prices, as scant offerings of stock. Other kinds in generally fair supply, and quiet, at about former rates.

FISH—There has been a more satisfactory inquiry for mackerel, especially for Dry Cod, which is selling, at firm prices, including Dry Cod at [illegible] per qtl. No. 1 Mackerel at [illegible]; No. 2 at [illegible]; No. 3 do. at $7 25@$8 ⅌ bbl. Pickled Herring at [illegible]; Scaled Herring at [illegible] ⅌ box. Scaled Herring at [illegible] ⅌ box.

FLOUR AND MEAL—Trade in State and Western Flour has been very quiet since our last, but prices have ruled steady, as the inquiry has been almost wholly for home trade purposes. Holders have been offering supplies sparingly. Shippers have been very reserved in their bids, being partly owing to the [illegible] of the Cuba, which, it is believed, have been reported of 3,100 bbls., including inferior to very fancy Superfine State and Western at $5 [illegible] 50, chiefly at $5 [illegible]; superior to very good Extra State at $5 [illegible]; fancy do. at $5 [illegible]; good to fancy do. for shipping Extra Western, at $5 [illegible], chiefly at $5 [illegible] 25; pack to good shipping brands round-hoop Ohio at $5 [illegible], chiefly at $5 [illegible]; trade brands and family brands at prices within rates.

Southern Flour has been dull at old figures; sales have been reported of 300 bbls., in lots, at from $5 [illegible] to $5 [illegible] for Baltimore Family, and at $5 [illegible] for very good to very choice Baltimore Shipping Brands. Rye Flour continues in moderate demand and steady, with sales of 200 bbls. at $5 [illegible] 50 ⅌ bbl. Corn-meal has been in moderate request, and steady at $3 [illegible] ⅌ bbl. for Brandywine, and $3 [illegible] ⅌ bbl. for Jersey.

GRAIN—Wheat has been mainly dull since our last, and prices have ruled lower, closing with a drooping tone, for most kinds. Corn has been in good request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Oats have been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Rye has been quiet, but prices have ruled steady. Barley and Barley Malt have been in request, and prices have ruled steady.

GROCERIES—Coffee has been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Sugar has been in good request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Molasses has been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Rice has been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds. Other articles have been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds.

HAY—Has been in fair request, and prices have ruled steady, closing with a firmer tone, for most kinds.

HIDES—There has been a good demand for most of most descriptions since our last, and prices have been quite firm. The week's receipts have been 77,812 Hides; sale, 62,600 Hides, and 2,100 bales Cuba Kip, at prices within range of Messrs. Hull & Co., 17,000 Dry Buenos Ayres and Entre Rios, (part to arrive,) 22,000 Rio, at 25; 27,000 Dry Santoville, (part to arrive,) 12,000 Rio Grande Kips, 9,000 Dry Cordova, 3,000 Dry Cordova Kips, 3,000 Dry Vera Cruz, 3,000 Dry Vera Cruz Kips, 2,000 Dry Rio Grande Kips, 9,000 lbs., at 26; 4,000 Dry Corrientes, 30,000 lbs., at 26½c.; gold, selected; 6,000 Dry Rio Grande, 30,000 lbs., at 27c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Buenos Ayres, and 1,000 Montevideo Kips, 22,000 lbs., at 22c.; gold, as they run; 12,000 Dry Dorados, 30,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Dorado Kips, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Maracaibo, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected (part to arrive,) 24,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, as they run; 20 Dry Central American, 20 lbs., on private terms; 400 Dry Vera Cruz, 2 lbs., on private terms; 2,000 Dry Mexican, 20,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Kips, (part to arrive,) 10,000 lbs., on private terms; 1,000 Dry Texas Hides, (part to arrive,) 22,000 lbs., at 25½c.; gold; 1,100 Dry Sonora, 19,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Sonora Kips, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Honduras, 2,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Honduras Kips, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Venezuela, 2,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Venezuela Kips, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; gold, selected; 1,000 Dry Venezuela Kips, 3,000 lbs., at 26c.; currency; 400 Wet-salted Buenos Ayres, 8,000 lbs., on private terms; 1,000 Wet-salted Dry Rio Grande, 2,000 lbs., at 12½c.; currency; 20 Salted Calcutta Cow, on private terms. The stock on hand is 109,500 Hides and 1,100 bales; same time last year, 87,000 Hides and 1,000 bales.

LATH—Have been in less request at $2 50 for Western, ⅌ thousand.

LEATHER—More liberal arrivals from the West have been reported since our last, and receipts for the week have added to the movement, which continues to provide more readily for those wants at the rulings prices, which indicate no material change, and quite firm in price, including Common at $1 50, and Lemon at $1 75 bid.

LUMBER—Buyers show rather less urgency to obtain supplies, from the fact that they are now in view of coming cargo arrivals, though trade is comparatively dull.

MOLASSES—Very dull within the previous range. New Orleans has been in request at 50@55c.

NAILS—In a moderate offering of stock and some call for supplies, prices are maintained as last quoted.

NAVAL STORES—Quite dull as a rule, with spirits Turpentine excited at 4c. bbl., and 40@45c. asked. Rosin, $2 [illegible] for full title; 424 bbls. sold at $1 [illegible] ⅌ bbl. Tar is nominal and Pitch is quiet, but prices are unchanged. Crude Turpentine is moderately sought after, and prices are firmly maintained, with sales of 300 bbls. at $3 [illegible] ⅌ bbl. for Virginia, and $3 [illegible] for Pennsylvania, ⅌ 100 lbs., as the average.

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LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Hold by Barrett, J.—Motions.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—Adjourned for the term.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Trial Term—Part I—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Trial Term—Part II—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Hold by Barrett, J.—Motions.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—General Term—Hold by C. P. Daly, Larremore and J. F. Daly.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—Trial Term—Part I—Hold by C. P. Daly, Larremore and J. F. Daly.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—Trial Term—Part II—Hold by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—No cases

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Amusements This Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—MERIOR. (Italian Opera.) Mme. Lucca, Miss Kellogg, Signor Vizzani.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—ROUND THE DECK. Mrs. John Wood, Miss Emma Newton, Mr. John Brougham.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—THE LADY OF LYONS—Miss Mellon, Mr. J. W. Wallack, Mr. Winslow.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL—Mr. Charles Fisher, Miss Fanny Davenport.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—TWO ARE LOCKS—Mr. M. W. Fisher, Mr. Lodlingwell, Mlle. Diani.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—LA BELLE HELENE. (Opera Bouffe.)—Mlle Alinda, M. Jabuza.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—OUR AMERICAN COUSIN—Mr. Gothard, Miss K. Pegeen.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—ASHES—Miss Agnes Ethel, Miss Emily McIntyre, Mr. D. H. Harkins.

BARNUM'S.—MUSEUM, MENAGERIE, and HIPPODROME. Day and evening.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS—Birch, Wambold, Backus and others.

TONY PASTOR'S OPERA-HOUSE.—VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

BRYANT'S OPERA HOUSE.—ETHIOPIAN MINSTRELSY—Dan Bryant, Seymour, Reed.

STEINWAY HALL.—LECTURE by Mr. Wendell Phillips. Subject: "Daniel O'Connell."

ASSOCIATION HALL.—READINGS and CONCERT by Miss E. L. D. Potter, Miss Henrietta Beebe, and others.

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There are some of our contemporaries whose opposition and abuse we are always delighted to receive, because it proves that we are running against a set of corruptionists, and attacking schemes which are designed to injure the public. In protesting against HALL's bargains with Republicans we have received the approval—expressed in the form of chaotic abuse—of an evening paper, whose good word would at any time be fatal to an honest reputation. We only conjectured before that roguery was going on between HALL and some men calling themselves Republicans, but when the evening paper referred to flies into hysterics we need no other evidence that we were right. It is a most gratifying proof that we have unearthed another dirty conspiracy. It is only necessary for us to repeat that Republicans who accept office from HALL's hands need not come to us for "indorsement." They can go to the morning or evening paper round the corner, where "no reasonable offer is ever refused."

We publish in another column an invitation to Mr. DORMAN B. EATON to deliver an address on the "principles and methods by which our Municipal Government may be improved." The invitation was signed by some of the most eminent of our citizens, and Mr. EATON at once responded to it, and fixed to-morrow evening (Tuesday) as the time for delivering his address, and the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association as the place. Mr. EATON will speak on this subject with no little authority, for he has devoted years to the study of it, and we know of few men who possess one-half the information concerning it which Mr. EATON has acquired. We hope our City readers will profit by the opportunity before them, and on Wednesday morning we shall publish a full report of Mr. EATON's remarks for the benefit of our readers at a distance.

The President has received one expression of decided value in regard to his efforts toward reform. On Friday, Senator MORRILL, of Vermont, presented to the Senate a joint resolution, passed by the Legislature of his State, as follows:

"That we cordially approve the course pursued by the President of the United States in his patriotic endeavors to reform the civil service, so that honesty, efficiency, and fidelity shall be the essential qualifications for public position; and we hereby request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to exert their influence to accomplish the same object, and also to rid the Government of the abuse of the franking privilege."

It will be seen that this not only approves the principle of civil service reform, but the President's methods of securing it, and directs active co-operation in the same on the part of the Representatives of the State. Mr. WILLARD, of Vermont, is on the Civil Service Committee of the House, and Mr. EDMUNDS, in the Senate, at the last session, introduced a measure equivalent to the original Jenckes bill.

Judge THOMAS SETTLE has been appointed an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of his native State of North Carolina, by Gov. CALDWELL. It was this position which Judge SETTLE resigned to accept the Mission to Peru, and his State is to be congratulated upon his return to a trust for which he has proved himself eminently well fitted.

A letter which is published in our columns this morning gives the first really intelligible account of the Legislative troubles in Alabama which has reached the public. It will be seen that it is asserted the Democracy of the State resorted to the Tammany device of "counting in" members enough to give them a majority of the Legislature, evidently supposing that the Republicans would permit the conspiracy to be consummated without offering any opposition. But opposition was made, and it now remains to find out who were legally elected members of the Legislature in the counties of Barbour and Marengo. It ought not to be difficult to ascertain this fact, and thus bring the unseemly dispute to a speedy close.

No appointment which President GRANT has made has been based upon stronger recommendations than that of Judge WARD HUNT to the Supreme Court of the United States. For nearly thirty years, Judge HUNT has been well known as a leading lawyer of New-York, and has occupied the highest judicial position which the State can bestow with the greatest credit. His eminent fitness for the Supreme Court was so apparent that last year, when it was supposed Judge NELSON would resign, many strong letters were addressed to the President commending Judge HUNT as the proper person to fill the vacancy. Among the signers to these letters were Hon. HORATIO SEYMOUR, Hon. FRANCIS KERNAN, Hon. HIRAM DENIO, and a number of the Justices of the New-York Court of Appeals and Supreme Court, besides other respected jurists of the State. Considering these facts, it would be well for such Democratic papers as have criticised the President for this appointment to refrain from further remarks upon the subject, unless they can acknowledge the mistake they have made.

We sympathize with our contemporary, the *Express*, upon the loss which it sustained last night in the destruction of a large portion of its premises. We hope it will make its appearance, as usual, this evening, and if we can help it do so, it may command our resources without limit. But for the promptness of the policeman who discovered the fire, and the energy and pluck of the firemen, the flames would soon have extended beyond the limits of the *Express* office. There was an immense body of fire on the fourth story, the building was old, and the flames gained a very fast hold in a few minutes. The firemen, however, not only worked vigorously, but in a really scientific manner, and they added another proof to the many others they are constantly affording, of their excellent discipline and great efficiency. The *Express* will not, we trust, be a loser to any great extent by its misfortune last night.

Increased Taxation—and Who Caused It.

The wealthiest classes of our citizens may not grumble much at the increased rate of taxation which they are called upon to pay this year. At any rate, they will not be seriously inconvenienced by it. When a man reckons his income, not by hundreds or thousands, but by tens of thousands, he is not likely to be pinched by a comparatively small addition to his taxes. But the vast majority of our citizens are not happy enough to be millionaires—supposing that millionaires are happy, which may, perhaps, be doubted. We may safely say that to most of us an increase of taxation is a very serious evil. It means, in many cases, that the children must be denied the new pair of shoes which they much need, or the wife cannot have that new bonnet which she says (no doubt with truth) was promised her, or sundry bills must remain unpaid. A distinct sacrifice has to be submitted to in order that the difference may be made up between taxes at the rate of 2 per cent. and 9.00 per cent. Every day, very sad scenes take place at the Tax Office. Poor women go there with the same sum of money in their hands which they paid last year, thinking that this year it will answer the demands of the authorities. When they learn that so much more is expected of them, they burst into tears, and go away declaring that they have no means whatever of raising the money.

Now, this is a very unfortunate state of affairs, and it is necessary that the public should understand how and why it has arisen. We have already told the plain truth on the subject—we are all of us taxed expressly to replace the money which the Tammany thieves put into their pockets, or made away with in some way known only to themselves. We have to thank Mayor HALL for it as much as anybody, for without his concurrence the robbery could not have been carried on. Yet Mayor HALL is not called upon to suffer for his guilt. He goes flourishing about at receptions and funerals; he issues clumsy invitations to the President of the United States; he makes speeches to "distinguished foreigners" at clubs—in short, nobody seems to think any the worse of him because he signed his name to the warrants which enabled his political confederates to bring the City to the very verge of bankruptcy. Republicans accept office at his hands, and several newspapers rise up and call him blessed. HALL always said that the storm would "blow over," and, so far as he is concerned, he does not seem to have overrated the capacity for forgetting and forgiving which the public sometimes manifests.

Moreover, while extra taxes are being wrung from us at a time of year when most of us want all the money we can earn, the thieves are quietly engaged in securing and dividing their plunder. Mr. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD represents the Boss Thief, *alias* W. M. TWEED, as a deeply injured man, and imperiously calls upon Judge INGRAHAM to quash the indictment against him. Poor women may weep at the Tax Office; poor children may be starved of bread; but what of it? Would you be cruel enough to take any of the Boss' plunder from him? We are often called very hard and unfeeling, and in this case we confess that we should like to be brutal enough to make TWEED and his gang disgorge all their stealings; and, what is more, we would afterward give them time for reflection within the walls of a State prison. Of course, it is very "malignant" and "uncharitable" to entertain these sentiments, but that we cannot help. There is not a householder of moderate means who has not (if he has thought at all on the subject) a necessary article this year, in order that we may put back the money which TWEED's gang carried off—under Mayor HALL's eye. Is this right? Is it wrong? Being of a "cruel" turn, we say that it is wrong. The deficiency in the City Treasury, caused by the Tammany robberies, must be made up. Well, why not make it up, at least in part, by recovering the plunder which TWEED and his friends still hold in their hands? Let them do something toward lightening the burden which they have placed upon our backs. As we put the matter yesterday, "a small property-owner who pays on ten thousand dollars of valuation has the luxury of paying, this year, sixty-four dollars to meet the interest alone of money stolen or squandered by TWEED, CONNOLLY, SWEENY, and others, during the Mayoralty of A. OAKEY HALL." Why not take a portion of this sixty-four dollars from TWEED and his confederates? They still have it in their possession. They can afford to pay for the services of DAVID DUDLEY FIELD, and still leave the bulk of the "swag" untouched. The poor must groan in order that these scoundrels may live in grand mansions, and drive fast horses, and keep up stables which are fit for the residence of an Emperor.

The present managers of the City affairs are powerless to help the people, because unless the claims upon the City are met, New-York will fall into bankruptcy, and that would only make matters ten times worse than they are now. We certainly hope that expenditures will be reduced for some time to come, but let people take notice that Mayor HALL, through his morning and evening newspapers, is constantly asking for increased expenditures. There are at this moment hundreds of men in our public departments who are holding fat sinecures—and the hard-worked carpenter, or mason, or compositor, or any other skilled mechanic who keeps a decent home over his head, is taxed to provide the ways and means. If the carpenter found himself in a scrape, he would be obliged to deny himself the luxury of retaining DAVID DUDLEY FIELD for his defense. TWEED laughs in his sleeve, and HALL secures immunity from punishment by making bargains with corrupt Republicans. Why should they be alarmed so long as the public allows them to go unmolested? If the heavy heel of taxation grinds the faces of the poor, TWEED and his friends can dine off gold and silver plate—and do you suppose they will protest against that arrangement, or make voluntary restitution of their booty?

An End of Warmoth.

It is hardly necessary to decide with the pretended accuracy of some of our contemporaries on the technical regularity of Judge DURKEE's proceedings in New-Orleans against H. CLAY WARMOTH. Sufficient confidence may be felt in the judicial system of the country to justify the belief that any act on the Judge's part transcending his powers, if such there has been, will be duly corrected. But all may be thankful for the fact that a stop has been put to a most desperate and dangerous conspiracy, led by a most reckless and corrupt adventurer, to prevent the inauguration of a legally-elected State Government, and to secure his own election to the United States Senate. It is difficult to exaggerate the evils which this man WARMOTH, whose career is now near its close, has brought on the unfortunate State he has so long ruled. Louisiana, under him, has not only been plundered, but its fame has been impaired. Life and property have been rendered insecure in many parts of the State, and particularly so in the capital, where his influence has been most felt.

The judiciary has been made both weak and corrupt by the character of the men he has been the means of introducing to the Bench, while the machinery for executing the laws has been perverted by him to the basest uses. He has practiced on a large scale the iniquities of Tammany, and the wrong and injury he has inflicted have been the worse because of the previous misfortunes of the property-holders of the State. Owing to causes originated or aggravated by him, the resources of the State have been greatly reduced, while he has controlled the elections in a peculiarly arbitrary and monstrous manner.

The new Legislature meets to-morrow, and it has a majority of members elected by that portion of the Republican Party never in league with WARMOTH. The newly-elected Governor, now United States Senator, Mr. KELLOGG, is a man of acknowledged probity, and of more than ordinary ability. Though the closing scenes of WARMOTH's rule have been marked by lamentable confusion, there is every reason to anticipate a better fortune for Louisiana in the immediate future.

Economical Legislation.

It must be confessed by all that the present session of Congress has opened in a promising manner. No sooner had the House of Representatives passed the bill for increasing the navy, which it did promptly, but not hastily, than Mr. DAWES brought forward the bill for simplifying the collection of internal revenue. This bill is one of very considerable scope. It saves at least three million dollars a year, and it dispenses with the services of nearly sixteen hundred officials. It was taken up on Saturday, and after a by no means cursory debate, was passed at the same session.

The bill is in entire accordance with the pledges of the Republican Party, to make the Government as efficient and as economical as possible. So striking was its merit in this particular that an attempt by FERNANDO WOOD to criticise it in a partisan manner was promptly rebuked by Mr. BECK, of Kentucky, and was more than answered by Mr. KERR, of Indiana. The bill provides for a complete change in the internal revenue system. At present taxes are assessed by one set of officers in each collection district, of which there are now 126, and collected by another set. The Assessor has a salary limited to $4,000; he has under him a clerk and one or more Assistant Assessors, paid by the Government. The Collector has a salary limited to $6,500, but employs his own deputy, and pays his own office rent and expenses. The bill passed by the House provides that by the 1st of July next, the offices of Assessor and Assistant Assessor shall be abolished, and the districts of the present incumbents be turned over to the Collectors of the respective districts, except a few special duties which are transferred to the Central Office at Washington. This measure is made possible by the steady reduction and simplification which have been pursued by the Republican majority in Congress, sometimes with, and sometimes without, the cooperation of the minority. This process has reduced the objects submitted to internal taxation substantially to liquors and tobacco. We have the word of Mr. DAWES that the Committee hope before the close of the session to secure the abolition of the few remaining taxes, other than these, of which the stamp on checks is the most felt, and "to present the internal revenue system as taxing only liquors and tobacco." The country may well congratulate itself on the progress already made, and on the prospect for the immediate future. According to Mr. KERR, of Indiana, one of the most energetic of the Democratic leaders, "every penny of tax that is now imposed by the internal revenue system, or collected under it, is, in the literal and absolute sense of the word, a revenue tax. It is imposed for the country and paid to the country. It makes the taxes it imposes as cheap as it is possible to make any tax," and, with the improvements made by the bill, is "the cheapest system of taxation for Federal purposes which this country has ever known, from the very beginning of its organization to this hour."

Dangers of Railroad Travel.

Public attention has again been called, and in the most startling manner, to the dangers of railway travel. Several other accidents had lately occurred, but these having been upon roads notorious for bad equipment, and worse management, the events excited strong censure, but no general alarm. There was nothing to shake general confidence in our railways in the fact that on some branch roads, where there was little travel, serious catastrophes had happened as the result of poverty in resources and extravagance. It was evident, indeed, that public opinion would be exerted to compel a reform in these roads, but it was also plain that these calamities caused no surprise, and awakened no distrust of our railway system. It was known that these roads were dangerous, and there was a common belief that such things could not happen on the leading lines which carry the bulk of our enormous travel.

But one of these "accidents" has now occurred, which will disturb the sense of security in railway transit, even upon trunk lines. If there was any line in the country which was thought reasonably safe from mishap, it was the Pennsylvania Central. It had long been one of the four great connecting links between the East and West, and such had been the care and success in its management that it had secured a very large proportion of the through travel, besides doing a vast local business. It had been generous in its control, having adopted promptly such inventions as the air-brake, intended to diminish the chance of accidents, and it had sought to secure the comfort as well as safety of its patrons. It was in the hands of men of ripe experience, who had sought to make collisions impossible by providing a double track, and were known to have made regulations for the government of their employes which were intended to prevent any other disasters. This idea became the more fixed in the public mind from the fact that for a long time nothing had occurred upon the road to shake the general belief in its safety.

But the "accident" upon this line, when it did occur, happened to be one that the public have usually ascribed to gross carelessness. Heavy travel caused an express to be made up in two sections, one following close behind the other, and we know that at certain seasons of the year this is a common occurrence on several leading lines. In this case the first section was delayed by the engine failing to make steam, and the engineer of the train behind, suddenly rounding a curve, saw before him the rear signal light of the other. He applied the air-brake, but the sudden check caused the coupling and brake-tube between the express and baggage cars to part, and the engine, being without brakes, dashed into the forward train, causing the lamentable destruction of human life.

The rules of the Company require trains to be run fifteen minutes apart, and several precautions are required to be taken to insure the observance of the rules. It is not yet known how far these precautions were taken by the officials of the Company, but it is certain that, notwithstanding the fact of their existence as laws on the road, the accident known as "telescoping," which people believed to be most easily avoided of all railway perils, has occurred. We have no disposition to judge harshly of any of those who are responsible for this last slaughter, but it is evident that some one has blundered, and it is certainly the duty of the Company to press the investigation of the case until the guilt is fixed where it belongs. That being done, it will remain to do something to prevent such trifling with human life in the future.

The Question of Annexation.

Since the establishment of Parliament in the Hindoo [illegible] a certain number of divinities [illegible] may be said to have suffered [illegible] veneration in consequence [illegible] most of them [illegible] devout believer undoubtedly found it convenient to have a divinity charged with the special protection of [illegible] undertaking occupied him at the moment it was, nevertheless, awkward to have that the thief and the murderer who entertained designs against his life and property, had also their patron gods, whose duty they implored in their nefarious schemes. Aside from this supplemental class of Hindoo gods, the gods of the Hindoo mythology were undoubtedly a bad lot. They were not only supremely selfish, and habitually exacting of money, food, and human sacrifices, but as a rule, they led lives which could not meet the approbation of even the most lenient moralist. Their minstrels sedulous with enormous books, and a curious tendency to the preposterous multiplication of legs and arms, fully symbolized their monstrous moral deformity, and no European who had even the slightest acquaintance with an average Hindoo god could help pitying a people subject to such undesirable divinities.

In a fortunate moment the Hindoos recently admitted a new god to their comprehensive pantheon, and this intruder has zealously set himself to work to destroy the credit of his older associates, and to deprive them of the allegiance of their human subjects. This new divinity was familiar to us before his Indian avatar, as Pianchette, the perverse imp of the centre-table. Latterly, Pianchette, in consequence of a confirmed tendency to useless and preposterous mendacity, became unpopular among Western nations, and was generally denounced as a shameless impostor. Upon his introduction into Hindostan, he (for, in the absence of any authoritative definition of the sex of Pianchette, we are at liberty to assume his masculinity) at once became a formidable rival of Brahma, Vishnu, Siva, and their associates, and daily gathered around him a growing company of believers. The venerable Brahmin, who formerly believed implicitly in the thousand and one gods of his mythology, and was ready to believe in double that number, should his priestly superiors proclaim their existence, now spends his leisure in waiting upon the three-legged oracle, and reverently accepting its innumerable prophecies. Even the most obtuse of Brahmins must perceive the vast superiority of an originally inexpensive god, who needs no temple, demands no offerings except an occasional lead-pencil, and is always ready to answer all sorts of questions, over the old-fashioned Hindoo divinity, who could not be consented without costly sacrifices, and who declined to answer questions except when in a conversational humor. There is no difficulty in the Hindoo mind in the way of accepting Pianchette as an undoubted divinity of unlimited knowledge and unwearied good humor. The rapid and continuous growth of Pianchette's popularity may, therefore, be confidently predicted, and we may yet see Brahminism, with its cumbrous and costly ritual, completely routed by this impudent piece of triangular wood and its complaisant pencil.

The world would doubtless be the gainer should such a result follow the introduction of Pianchette into the Hindoo pantheon. Pianchette is unquestionably a preposterous pretender to supernatural power, but he is, at all events, neither malignant nor vengeful. The Hindoo who renounces Siva and Juggernaut, and, instead of sacrificing himself and his family to these merciless monsters, bows at the shrine of Pianchette, and listens reverently to his fantastic twaddle, will certainly be a less cruel and miserable heathen than he was in the days of Brahminism. And, when Pianchette shall have driven the countless gods of Hindostan out of the Indian Olympus, the missionaries will have but a single false divinity to overthrow, and their task will thus be far easier than they have hitherto found it.

MINOR TOPICS.

That highway robbery is not a common occurrence in this City seems due only to the fact that our ruffians do not take kindly to that species of crime. Whenever they choose to attempt it, they appear to meet with great success, so far as any interference by the Police is concerned, and it must be that they find their victims too poorly provided with valuables to make the offense pay. How easily they might transact this line of business was shown by an incident of yesterday morning, when two of them knocked down a man in Macdougal-street, leisurely rifled his pockets, and walked off with their booty without the slightest molestation, although their victim, throughout the transaction, called lustily for the Police. No Policeman came, however, and these highwaymen have doubtless been encouraged, as they got a fair booty, to repeat the crime at the first opportunity.

The Frenchman believes, with perfect faith, that during the fogs of London, which depress the naturally gloomy mind of the Englishman, the latter throws himself from the monument, or cuts his throat with a razor, in enormous numbers. Curiously enough, the French are the very people who, more than any others, are addicted to causeless and preposterous suicide. Perhaps the most ridiculous suicide of the century is that perpetrated, the other day, by a romantic young Frenchman who saw the corpse of a beautiful but unknown girl in the Morgue. He at once became a prey to the wildest admiration of that corpse, and felt that life was not worth having while so beautiful a corpse remained inanimate. He therefore immediately proceeded to drown himself, in order that he might enjoy the felicity of lying, even in a blue and swollen state, on a contiguous slab in the Morgue that held the corpse he loved so well. His desire was gratified, and now if some young Frenchman, struck with admiration of his rash conduct, goes and does likewise, a fashion will be set which will weed Paris of its romantic lunatics to a very satisfactory extent.

For the last month, the ferries leading to New-Jersey and Long Island have been daily traveled by men burdened with guns and game-bags and accompanied by dogs. These persons, the majority of whom are Dutch and peasant Germans, go forth to hunt the small game of the surrounding country, with a feeble hope that a plausible duck may fall within their reach. They return after a day of wearied marching over hill and swamp, bearing as evidence of their bravery and skill two terrible sparrows, the dangerous task, or the deadly shotgun. Doubtless they enjoy themselves, and from the small amount of game which they usually succeed in bagging, it is not impossible that the [illegible] legal company of the County to recover [illegible] which they may be liable to it, and is equally sufficient to prove to any taxpayer that their best course of proceeding must be [illegible] money demanded in the private bills [illegible] by the representatives of the Attorney-General of the prosecutions they have so well begun.

What is the present case, in harmony with the highest expediency, is also conformable to the strictest requirements of law. Obviously, the only parties really injured by the fraudulent transactions of the members of the Board of Audit are the taxpayers, present and future, of the City of New-York. The existing body of tax-payers has no standing in Court, either collectively or as represented by any individual member or section thereof. That principle has been established beyond all dispute. The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality cannot sue on behalf of the tax-payers; neither can the Board of Supervisors. The existing body of tax-payers can only be represented by the sovereign power of the State. But there are tax-payers yet unborn, or not yet settled in this City, who will be held liable for the liquidation, thirty or fifty years hence, of the bonds issued under the authority of the Board of Audit. Who is to represent the tax-payers at present nonexistent? Clearly, as Mr. O'Conor puts it, "that great, always-existing, unchangeable, political, and legal person or corporation, the State." But, say the defendants, "Suppose the State should get this money, what will the State do with it?" To which the following is Mr. O'Conor's very trenchant reply:

"This is thought to be a very great puzzle, but a like question may be put to the defendants, who would be responsible, supposing the Supervisors should recover this money, what would they do with it? The Supervisors have no power to deal with the money, if recovered; and they would be mere chance mesne possessors of money belonging to others. They have no authority, under any law, to make any disposition of it. True, my learned friend says that the County owns a piece of ground, and the Supervisors might build, if they choose, a Chinese pagoda upon it. I do not think they have any such power; but it is inquired, what would the State do with the money? I have already disclosed to your Honors our views on that subject. I will restate them briefly. The State is the supreme legislative power. It is not easy to define the extent of its authority in such matters. Its intention, we may say, and as Judge Duer says, in prosecuting the suit for recovery, is to recover the money. After it shall be recovered, the inquiry is, what will become of it? The Sheriff will be bound to collect it; it will pass into the State treasury, and it will there remain as money unappropriated. For its application there would be no existing competent authority. I admit that; I have also admitted the impossibility of doing exact justice in the disposal of it. Any one can see that. It cannot be repaid to the unfortunate tax-payers who have been swindled by this process. It would be to receive it into the treasury from a mine found in the bosom of the earth, or treasure lost by some unknown person and drawn up from the bed of the ocean, or cast upon its shore from a wreck. Being in the hands of the proper authorities, the supreme legislative power would determine to its application. The legislature, in which we have reported, tried to do this very proper result. They furnish the closest possible approximation to justice. They take from the thief his plunder, and place it, through Executive and judicial action, in the Treasury of the State, there to await appropriate legislation. This is the only way we can, in extraordinary cases of official malversation, such as that alleged in these complaints."

Before dismissing this subject for the present, it may be of interest to quote the account given by Mr. Tilden of the motives that led to the introduction of his bill providing fresh remedies against public peculation, into the last Legislature. It will be seen that the drafting of this measure was prompted by no misgivings regarding the efficacy of existing remedies. It will also be noted, however, that it embodied some aids to the course of public justice, which may fitly be pressed upon the attention of the Legislature of 1873. It is to be hoped, at least, that the Legislature will pass a bill providing for the attachment of the property of accused public servants. Had such a provision been on the statute-book, we should have been spared the public scandal of Tweed stripping himself of his stolen wealth for the benefit of his family, without the plundered tax-payers being able to interfere. Mr. Tilden's statement in regard to his bill is as follows:

"In the first place, that act was drawn by myself, without any suggestion from my friend, Mr. O'Conor, and, so far as it acted upon the existing suits, not without a disclaimed responsibility on his part from the beginning to the end, induced, I suppose, by a supreme confidence he had, and has, in the power under existing laws to maintain this action without any legislative aid. It was drawn—the ninth section of it, that applying the preceding sections to existing suits—I mean—by Mr. Peckham and myself, added after the body of the act had been framed. I have no doubt that it is perfectly competent for the legislative power to act upon a remedy in suits already in existence. It constantly does so. It does so at every legislative session, and in some respects the provisions of that act were desirable and valuable in their application to existing suits. Among other things, it provided for the very case that, whenever the money should be recovered, legislation may be necessary, whether the money be recovered by the State or by the county, to enable a proper disposition of the money to be made. It conferred that authority upon the Court. Another thing it did was to provide for expedition in proceedings in such cases. Another thing it did was to provide for the hearing of such cases by judges elected outside of the district where these cases arise. On reflection, without any doubt, and fully possessed of the views and purposes with which the present judicial establishment was instituted, I assert that those provisions are in accordance with its spirit and philosophy. We were told in the Convention of 1869 that one great object to be attained was that there should not grow up between the Judges and local parties, or local attorneys or counsel, those relations which, in some cases, in a very slight degree, had been complained of. It was the theory of that system that the Judges of the Supreme Court should circuit through the State. The first judiciary act by which the present Supreme Court was constituted provided that each Judge of the Supreme Court should spend but a proportionate part of his time in the district in which he was elected, and an equal proportion in as many of the districts as there were years in his term of office. It was from this principle that these provisions of the act were deduced. Another thing that act did, it provided for an attachment of the property of persons committing fraud against the public. It provided more perfect and definite remedies applicable, of course, only to the future, in criminal proceedings against such persons. I do not shrink from any responsibility of that act. I accept it. I entertain no manner of doubt that if my hands had not been too full, it would have been today a law of the land. The money of all the conspirators to the contrary notwithstanding, and all other influences that were brought to bear to defeat it."

I had not then, and I have not now, any doubt of the jurisdiction of this Court, of that, so far as that act might seem to confer jurisdiction, it is merely declaratory of the law as it now stands."

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Judge Settle Sworn as Associate Justice of the State Supreme Court.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 8.—Judge Thomas Settle, of Rockingham, late candidate for Congress in this District, who was just been appointed an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of this State, in place of Judge Reade, Judge, appointed United States District Judge, has accepted the position, and this afternoon took office. It was in this place that Judge Settle rendered such signal service to the Union cause during the Kuklux investigations, and at time the Judgeship of this District which he now afterward resigned to accept the mission to Peru.

CUBA.

Volunteers Receiving a Flag from the Officers of the Missouri Floating Asylum.

HAVANA, Dec. 7.—The Volunteers paraded here, yesterday, to receive a flag which was been sent to them by the Volunteers of Madrid.

Portions of the cargo of the steamer Missouri floated ashore on Abaco Island, and were sold there.

ENGLISH NOTES.

Latest Gossip from a Disturbed Metropolis.

The Police Mutiny—The Management of the Force—A Post-Office Riot—Meetings in the Parks—Mr. Ayrton's Troubles.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 23, 1872.

The town has not yet recovered from the unpleasant surprise with which it learned on Monday morning that on the previous Saturday three divisions of the Metropolitan Police had refused to go on duty. I need but trouble you with the particulars of the *émeute*, which you will have already received by telegraph. The police, under the threat of a strike, had just obtained an increase of twenty per cent in their pay. The agitation had been conducted by delegates, and when it was known that Goodchild, the policeman who had taken the lead in the affair, had been dismissed, all the other delegates at once imagined that the same fate was reserved for them. The rest of the men were naturally indignant that their representatives should be punished because their services had been so useful to them. The heads of the police were able to say that Goodchild was not dismissed for managing the strike, but for refusing to obey orders. He had been ordered to attach himself to a little country division of the police. This was tantamount to exile and degradation, and he refused to go. The excuse is obviously only a quibble, and makes matters worse, for it shows a desire to be revenged on the man, and, at the same time, a want of courage to do it at once openly and boldly. The irritation of the men was extremely natural, but of course a mutiny was unpardonable. One hundred and ten men were discharged, and sixty-nine reduced in rank or fined. Three or four have been prosecuted. This decision was unavoidable, but unfortunately, it was attended with a delay which looked like hesitation. The Commissioners took four days to make up their minds how they should meet a gross and dangerous act of insubordination. They did not even suspend the mutineers for a couple of days. This weakness indicates pretty plainly what is wrong with the force. The police of London is divided into two parts.

HOW THE LONDON POLICE IS MANAGED.

The old City of London, which is governed by the Corporation, has a body of constables of its own. The Corporation is very rich, has only a small area to deal with, and can afford to be liberal to its policemen. The rest of London, embracing a vast, and for the most part, densely-populated region, extending on every side thirteen miles from Charing Cross, is under the protection of what is called the Metropolitan Police. This force belongs to the Government just as much as the army or the fleet. The cost of maintaining it is defrayed in equal parts by the rate-payers and the Government, but it is under the exclusive control and direction of the latter. The rate-payers have nothing whatever to do with it except to pay their share of the money. The Metropolitan Police, thus constituted, was the creation of the Duke of Wellington and Sir Robert Peel, and the constables are to this hour called "bobbies" or "peelers" in the slang of the streets. The new force was at first regarded with great jealousy, as a dangerous infringement of the liberty of the subject. It was supposed to be intended to coerce the populace, and when a policeman was killed in a riot, it excited rather satisfaction than regret. It is difficult to realize now what could have been the state of London in the days before Peel took hold of the matter. There was a handful of mounted men at the disposal of the Bow-street Magistrates, and there were the old Charleys—a drunken, incapable, and roguish set of men, who were more frequently confederates of the thieves than protectors of the public. The Charleys were provided by the different parishes, which thought only of making an economical bargain for their services. In the days of "Tom and Jerry," when the first gentleman in Europe set the fashion, upsetting a watchman's box with the old fellow inside, was one of the favorite pastimes of the youthful aristocracy, who found no lack of imitators in lower ranks. Peel and Wellington did a very good thing for London when they set up an efficient body of police, and the rapidity with which the inhabitants became reconciled to it is a sign that the force has, on the whole, been well managed by the Government. Within the last few years, however, it has been to show evident symptoms of deterioration. A suspicion has arisen that false swearing has been organized into something very like a system, so that if a constable makes a charge against any one, all his companions are bound, for the honor of the corps and good-fellowship, to back him up. One or two black cases of this kind have lately come to light, and the credit of the force has suffered for it. Then the difficulty of maintaining order in a vast city like London, has greatly increased, and the Government of the day has more than once shown itself timid and irresolute about enforcing the laws and keeping order in the streets and public places. Everybody knows how soon a horse understands his rider, from the hand on the bridle. A weak, faltering, jerking hold—now too slack, and now in fright too tight—soon settles the poor man's fate; for the animal loses confidence both in himself and his master. Now it is much the same with a body of men—they soon understand whom they have to deal with. The timidity of the Government has infected the police. They have been put to shame by the cowardice and vacillation of their superiors. On the other hand, they have been led to reflect that a Government which is so afraid of the rabble is probably afraid of the police, too, or, at best, afraid of being left without police, and that the best way to get anything out of it is by working on its fears. In the case of such a body as the police, where discipline and subordination, if once disturbed, are pretty sure to break down altogether, there is only a step, and a short step, between a strike and a mutiny; and the Government, by yielding to the one, has helped to invite the other. Wages have, for some time, been unusually high in this country, and, in comparison with artisans and mechanics, policemen were poorly paid. It was right that their pay should be raised; but the Government should have yielded not to a threat but to its own sense of justice, and should, by anticipating the threat, have prevented it ever being held out.

A POST-OFFICE RIOT.

There never, I suppose, was a government so ignorant of human nature as Mr. Gladstone's Government. While the police have been exasperated into mutiny, even the postmen have been goaded into sedition. It used to be thought that walking was highly beneficial as a means of acquiring a philosophical habit of mind, and the postmen may be regarded as the peripatetic philosophers of our own day. In the course of their professional exercises, they have, at least, abundant opportunity of learning to subdue the passions, and to raise the mind above mere sublunary affairs. For some time they have been petitioning for better wages. This the Government would not grant, but it conceived the brilliant idea of putting off the poor wretches with good-conduct badges, little stripes of colored cloth to be stitched on their coats. And then it appeared that postmen are not altogether so philosophic as might be supposed. At the mere mention of the proposal, they yelled and hooted and used the most disrespectful language toward the Postmaster-General. One reckless revolutionist was even heard to utter the words "childish" and "ridiculous." If the Government had simply said no, the postmen might have stood it. But the stripes were too much for them. When they asked for more money, to get little bits of cloth out of rag-bags was more than they could endure; it was insult added to injury. I think it was Sam Weller who, after drinking a "mixture of particularly good beer, remarked that it was equal to meat and drink, lodging, washing, and having yell little children." The goodness of badges do not add much either to the flavor or substance of the poorest "weal." To make the outrage more complete, the men recently were told that they must either accept the badges or resign from the service. Mr. Monsell, the Postmaster-General, was a Protestant, and is now a Roman Catholic. A few years ago, he followed the example of his country woman, Mrs. Maloney, and renounced the errors of the Protestant religion to embrace those of the Catholic persuasion; and this so endeared him to the Catholic hierarchy that they have stood by him ever since. He has become a sort of test with successive Liberal Ministries. A Ministry that will swallow Mr. Monsell is all right; it will do anything it is asked. Even in the House of Commons, a stupider man has seldom, if ever, been seen. He is no speaker, and his administrative capacity, may be gathered from the remarkable fact we have just recounted. But, like all converts, or enthusiasts, he is a blind believer, not only in Papal, but clerical infallibility, irrespective of grade. At any rate, he believes devoutly in Bishops and Archbishops. So he is imposed on the Government as a pledge of loyalty to the civil true Church.

MEETINGS IN THE PARKS.

It is feared that Mr. Ayrton, the First Commissioner of Public Works, has made himself liable to two years' imprisonment for a violation of a law of which he was himself the author. Last year Parliament passed a bill for the regulation of the royal parks, such as Hyde Park, St. James' Park, &c. Among other things, it undertook to regulate public meetings in the parks. It was provided that no meeting should be held except in accordance with the rules of the park where it took place, and it was remitted to the Board of Works to make rules on this and other subjects. It was directed that the rules should be laid before Parliament, if it was sitting, in order that, if either House disapproved of any part of them, it might be canceled or altered. Mr. Ayrton drew up a number of rules, but intimated that they would be reserved for further consideration, and that in the meantime the only rule should be that the parks should be reserved for the public in the same way as formerly. This rule was pointed in the parks, but Mr. Ayrton has since substituted for it more detailed regulations of a troublesome and fantastic character, and this, it is contended, he had no right to do. The new rules require that, before an address can be delivered in Hyde Park, a notice of it must be given to the police, signed by two householders, that when notice of one address has been given, two others will be allowed to be delivered on the same day, and that an address can be delivered only within forty yards of a post which has been erected in the park, and which, it has been suggested, requires to be supplemented only by Mr. Ayrton's hat being planted on the top of it. The result of these preposterous rules is that a man might be liable to imprisonment for answering a seditious or treasonable speech, or might be shot for going beyond the prescribed limits, and so into a misdemeanor. A number of men, the Republican shoe-maker, Odger, among them, have been prosecuted for a breach of this law; and a case has been taken for the decision of the Court of Queen's Bench as to the validity of the rules. If, as is alleged, Mr. Ayrton has himself broken the law, he may be prosecuted for it. In the meantime, there are rumors that he prefers exile. It is said he will succeed Sir R. Temple as Financial Minister in India. F. H. J.

AMUSEMENTS.

Notes and Announcements.

As already mentioned, a supplementary series of four performances of opera is to occur at the Academy of Music, commencing with this evening's representation. It will include a Saturday matinée. To-night, "Mignon" is to be given, and Wednesday Nicolai's setting of "The Merry Wives of Windsor" will be done in German, with Mme. Lucca in the leading rôle.... The season of opera bouffe at the Olympic will begin this evening. Mlle. Aimée will appear in "La Belle Hélène."... Mr. J. H. Bonawitz gave, at Steinway Hall, on Saturday evening, the first of a series of popular concerts. An orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Bonawitz, played Schumann's symphony in B flat major; Miss Klauscek, a clever pianist, recited a concerto by Kalkbrenner, and Miss Antoinette Sterling sang.... The Vocal Society of New-York has put forth its prospectus for the season of 1872-73. The document in question embodies the information following: Three concerts—the first occurring on Jan. 18—will be given at Steinway Hall, admission to which can be had only by subscription. Three hundred subscriptions will be received at $10 each, entitling the holder to three admissions to each concert. Extra tickets may be had, by subscribers only, at $1 50 each, from any member of the Society; and no tickets will be sold at the door. It is designed to produce at these entertainments the customary variety of madrigals, glees, and part-songs, in addition to portions of the minor choral works of the great masters. Choruses for men's voices will also be made a feature of the concerts. Applications for subscription, it is added, may be made to members of the Society.... Miss Nellson will, this evening, appear at Booth's Theatre in the "Lady of Lyons".... "The School for Scandal" will be acted this night only at the Fifth-avenue Theatre.

City Reform.

The following correspondence has been forwarded to us for publication:

Dorman B. Eaton, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: As friends and citizens we cordially congratulate you on your restored health and return to New-York, and knowing your active and unselfish interest in municipal affairs for many years, we are glad to understand that you have devoted some of your enforced leisure to the study of the government of cities, especially as bearing upon the interests of our own local affairs.

In view of the necessity for important legislation for this City at the coming session, and of the fact that while the discussions of the late campaign have everywhere brought State and national policy, and modes of administration, under review, these discussions as to City affairs have been confined almost wholly to the merits of candidates, it seems to us desirable that public attention should at this time be called "to the principles and methods upon which our Municipal Government may be improved."

And, being aware of the great value which might accrue from the public statements of the results of your study and observation, we invite you to make the principles and methods which should underlie the improvements of our City Government the subject of a public address, at such time and place as may suit your convenience.

We are, very truly, yours,

William E. Dodge, Josiah Sutherland, W. M. Evarts, Jonathan Sturgis, Charles O'Conor, John E. Williams, S. J. Tilden, Edwards Pierrepont, Parke Godwin, W. Butler Duncan, Wm. C. Barrett, W. A. Booth, Oswald Ottendorfer, Geo. Jones, Joseph H. Choate, Jackson S. Schultz, James Brown, James M. Brown, Moses Taylor, Howard Potter, Abram S. Hewitt, George Cabot Ward, D. Willis James, W. J. Hoppin, John E. Parsons, F. S. Winston, Peter Cooper, L. B. Woodruff, David Hoadley, James Stokes, W. R. Vermilye, Robert B. Roosevelt, Thos. C. Acton, W. E. Dodge, Jr., John A. Stewart, H. L. Clinton.

NO. 2 EAST FIFTY-NINTH-STREET, NEW-YORK, Nov. 28, 1872.

GENTLEMEN: Your letter of the 16th inst., in which I have the honor of an invitation to deliver a public address, at such time and place as I may select, upon the principles and methods which should underlie the improvement of our City Government, has been received.

In thanking you for this assurance of your confidence, and for the kind language in which it is conveyed, I wish to express my sense of the public interest in such decisive evidence as your letter affords, that more and more leading and patriotic men of all parties and pursuits are becoming convinced that legislation for this City must no longer be neglected or framed in the interest of any party.

I have selected the evening of the 10th of December, at 8 o'clock, and the Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, as the time and place for the delivery of the address; and as my hopes of an audience must rest in your names, I trust I may be allowed at the proper time to give the necessary publicity to your letter. And I am, with great respect, your obedient servant, D. B. EATON.

To Messrs. W. E. Dodge, W. M. Evarts, Charles O'Conor, John E. Williams, S. J. Tilden, Parke Godwin, W. C. Barrett, Oswald Ottendorfer, and others.

Life Insurance—Modification of Rates.

From the New-York Underwriter.

To "let well enough alone" is a large measure of human wisdom. Conservatism and Radicalism wage eternal warfare; rather, let us say, that Conservatism ever needs to be on the defensive against the aggressiveness of Radicalism. Were not the centrifugal controlled by the centripetal, our planet would speedily dissipate into infinite space, and that great preservative law of gravitation prevails in the spiritual as well as in the material world. So to regulate the necessary movement of human progress that we may protect that which is good from reckless disintegration, is the ambition of all good men. The successful efforts of nearly 200 years have given us a beneficent institution in the form of Life Assurance—in the sphere of social science—the very flower of our modern civilization, a scheme by which we stretch our hands beyond the grave to shield and comfort those we love on earth. Of all social organizations or institutions, certainly this one, more than all others, seems to demand the protecting aegis of conservatism—not an atom of its firm secretion should be exposed to the iconoclastic touch of rabid radicalism.

Not from without is any danger threatened to the structure of Life Assurance; it is from within that the citadel is being mined. From motives that may be easily enough imagined, but that it is not necessary to define here, the managing officers of the *Mutual Life* of New-York—the great standard-bearer company of the country—have come to the resolution to recommend that their Company shall abandon the conservative principles on which the institution has been built up, and descend to the "cheap John" plan of "reduced rates" in order to compete for future business. The comparatively new Actuary of the Mutual Life, Prof. Bartlett, an eminent mathematician, and honored authority, but not yet much experienced in the practical working of life assurance has, it appears, addressed to Mr. Winston, the President of the Mutual Life, an official letter, under date of 12th November, inst., recommending in effect that the Company shall reduce its life rates about one-third, in order to "give persons of slender means, and *especially the laboring classes*," the benefits of life assurance. This letter, which we shall now give in full, to prevent any misinterpretation, has been "read to the Insurance Committee, and, after discussion, ordered to be printed for private circulation among the trustees, with a view to future action upon it by that body." This is the letter:

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK, Nov. 12, 1872.

F. S. Winston, Esq., President, &c., &c.:

DEAR SIR: The Mutual Life Insurance Company has now been in operation well-nigh the period allotted to a human generation, and the exhibit of its affairs, just published, demonstrates, in my opinion, its ability, and urges upon it the duty to revise its rates and widen the range of its usefulness, by diminishing the price of its assurance.

The true mission of life assurance is to give to persons of slender means, and especially the laboring classes, the opportunity to provide a support for those whom sudden death may reduce to helpless dependence. The special objects of its care are indigent widows and orphans. The prices for their protection are often paid from hardly-earned and scanty means, and should be the lowest consistent with entire safety. I would respectfully ask your early and serious attention to the subject; and, that you may have the matter fully before you, I submit herewith a new scale of reduced rates, and certain suggestions with regard to the future practice of the Company, should they meet your approval and become the basis of our future business.

The old net prices, based on four per cent for money and the Mortuary Rates of the American Table, are retained, and the alterations arise from a change in the percentage addition for ordinary expenses, which is reduced from forty to ten.

The yearly dividends under the new system will, of course, be greatly reduced, and I earnestly recommend:

1. That the revisionary credits for these dividends be given, as heretofore, but that no use be made of them till, in every instance, their present cash value, on the policy anniversary, shall amount to the sum of two annual premiums, when one-half may be available to pay, at the expressed wish of the owner, the premiums then due.

2. That these credits be held to be assessable to meet any deficit that may arise from any circumstance whatever.

3. That in case of death, the whole of the reversionary credit be paid to the heirs, as at present.

4. That existing policy-holders may have the option either to leave their policies unchartered and pay their old rates, receiving, of course, their proportional dividend and reversionary credits, subject to the conditions of (2), or to take out new policies, with their existing credits added, and pay the new rates corresponding to their then present age, provided they subject themselves to a new medical examination and are pronounced assurable.

The Company will, by this most desirable plan, have within its control a large fund to which it may resort in time of trouble, should trouble come to it; while it will avoid the objectionable measure of keeping on hand a large undivided surplus, in which those who die cannot fail to have an interest, whose precise value it would be difficult to ascertain.

I would merely add that this Company has pioneered its way to a condition of unrivaled prosperity and success. It has had large experience, and the community may properly expect it to use this experience to advance the interests of life assurance, so as to bring within the range of its business the poorer classes. To compel these to advance money beyond the true price of assurance, only to be returned at the end of twelve months, is a hardship to which, I think, they ought not to be subjected.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. C. BARTLETT, Actuary.

No one needs to be told that Prof. Bartlett's action in this important instance is merely official. We pray to be excused if we decline to accept the motives alleged for this radical movement in the hitherto strictly conservative Mutual Life.

The notion that the Mutual Life has an irresistible desire to extend its benefits to the "laboring classes," or "poorer classes" is as amusing as the supposition that the "laboring classes," or "poorer classes" in the proper sense of these terms, have any special "hankering" for policies in the Mutual Life. All that humanitarian episode in Prof. Bartlett's letter must be taken as mere official varnish. The care of "indigent widows and orphans" reads very pathetically, but every one familiar with the business knows very well that life insurance is a strictly financial operation—not a whit leavened with any eleemosynary element, nor even governed by any philanthropic sentiment, although when properly appreciated, charged with a highly-responsible fiduciary character. In fine, the trustees of life insurance companies, especially purely mutual companies, may be called public trustees; and the highest exercise of their trust may be found in keeping their companies up to the highest standard of strength, attainable by the legitimate operations of the business. That function especially, the trustees and managers of the Mutual Life have, up to this time, most honorably discharged. It affords us no gratification to make an issue with the serious "new departure" now projected for the Company. The strength of the Mutual Life has been the pride of all life insurance men, and all lovers of sound life insurance in the country.

It seems now as if the officers of the Mutual Life, in revenge for the unworthy opposition, direct or indirect, of its chief rivals, have resolved to layel the principle defenses of all life companies, and expose the whole business to the influence of experimental theory. When the leading Life Company is induced to reduce its rates 10 to 10 per cent, there is no margin left to pay agents to solicit life insurance, much less to accumulate a reserve for any contingencies.

Let us particularize a little. According to the recent summary of the 28 years and 11 months' experience of the Mutual recently published, it is shown that the total receipts, so-called, amounted to $128,227,622 38, made up thus:

Premiums received in cash	$94,697,779 22
do. do. "surrender of dividends"	22,132,560 61
Interest, rents, &c.	17,496,707 79
	$135,317,039 62

Then we see from the same summary that the expenses of the Company for that period amounted to $10,889,460 16. Deducting from the amount of premium receipts the $22,132,560 61, stated as received by "surrender of dividends," which was really no money receipt at all, but a mere taking back of paper certificates in exchange, in part, for increased insurance, and it will be found that the expenses of the Company for its first twenty-eight years and eleven months amounted to 18 2-10 per cent, on its actual premium receipts, excluding the income from "interests, rents, &c." Hence it is only by taking credit for the *effect* of its full loaded premium as a dividend-making power that the Mutual Life can pretend that its gross expenses have been below ten per cent. of its receipts. Therefore, taking the actual experience of the past as the true guide for the future, the Mutual Life has no right to expect that it can do life business on the reduced non-dividend power rate plan at less than sixteen per cent. per annum on the new premium.

Certainly Mr. Winston would not favor a proposition to *establish* a mutual life insurance company on the basis of his proposed new rates *without* a subscribed capital. Yet this is virtually the thing that he now proposes to do, unless, indeed, he urges that the present strength of the Company warrants the contemplated reduction of the rates. But this, the only really supporting argument in its favor, directly involves the justice of the change as affecting the old policy-holders. Why should *their* accumulations be used to *secure* incoming members, who join the Company upon totally different terms and who can never bring any advantage to the old members.

Life insurance is not yet so old—not at least in the United States—that it can afford to do business at more cost, and discard all precautions against extraordinary emergencies. Recent events have vividly demonstrated how utterly insecure the system of low rate, close shaven premium was in fire insurance; how, when large reserve was not maintained for special contingencies or, may we not say, for inevitable occurrences, the companies went down to utter ruin in the face of large disasters. Have any man of our generation the hardihood to contend that our medical science is so perfect, our sanitary regulations so complete, our physical condition so vastly improved, that human life is henceforth safe from all the dread calamities that have afflicted our race in other climes and periods? Has the angel of death, who year by year spreads his wings on the hot blasts of Eastern climes, become so enfeebled that he may never more wing his desolating flight over the waters to our Western land? Have all the diseases that "flesh is heir to" so subsided that we may have no more fear of epidemics or any disturbance of the measured ratios of mortality, which our companies have known during the first quarter of a century of their existence? It would be very gratifying to be able to be very positive that we had reached such halcyon days. But it seems rather a reckless course for an old life insurance company to take to predicate its future action on so vain a hypothesis.

Our human experience is often fallacious. If any man had declared eighteen months ago that the great fire of London, which occurred in 1666, would some day be outranked by a great conflagration in some American city, he would have been scoffed at as a silly alarmist. Our civil conditions were so different, our facilities for suppressing fires so perfect, that we would certainly have derided such a suggestion. But what is our experience now? In October, 1871, more property was destroyed by fire at Chicago than was lost in the great fire of London, and in November of this year the well-built City of Boston, the most solid of all our American cities, has suffered a fire loss not much short of that at Chicago. Can cholera or yellow fever or plague in any form never sweep over us again? Very fervently we hope that we may have passed the days of such terrible visitations, but we should not be so over-confident as to cast aside all precautions. Now and then, unhappily, we find that disease is in the air. Such observed atmospheric changes take place as to destroy vegetable and animal life, as the locust destroys the green herb and the growing grain, and all our science is baffled. Let us not repeat the folly of the foolish virgins. We must not burn our lamps so low that we cannot replenish them when more light is demanded.

The general financial interests of the country have been greatly exercised from time to time during the last few years, by the apprehension of a sudden return to specie payments. That fear has been allayed by the wise, conservative action of a firm government. Yet even a sudden return to specie basis could work no such general disaster in financial and mercantile circles, as the reduction of life insurance rates to an unsafe basis would produce in life insurance business.

There are many thousands of active, able, intelligent citizens engaged in the business of life insurance, as agents and otherwise, throughout the country, and to all these persons the proposed reduction of life rates will bring serious disturbance. A financial business that has supplied a payment of twenty-five million dollars this year among widows and orphans in this country needs to be meddled with very cautiously. Every mutual company that has, up to the present period, attempted to conduct life insurance on the low-rate plan, has come to grief. In every field the laborer is worthy of his hire, especially so in the arid soil of life insurance. The work will not be done—cannot be done—upon maudlin humanitarian pretenses. Life insurance has to be paid for: officers, agents, doctors, and clerks must get their living out of the business if they give their time to it; and Mr. Winston and his co-trustees had better lay by their ox-muzzles until they reach the happy land of Utopia, where every one will do everything for everybody for pure love and affection, without any vulgar reward in dollars and cents, and virtue only will be its own reward. We fear that if Mr. Winston persists in the propagandism of this threatened crusade, he will work more positive injury to the permanent interests of the Mutual Life than to that of any other organization in the business. It does not strike us as fair to the old high-rate policy-holders of the Company to let in what may be comparatively called a "pauper class" to partake of the advantages of the accumulated assets of the old members. It it be urged that the contribution plan of dividend will regulate all this, and that really the new policy-holders on the low-rate plan will have no interest in the proceeds of the present large accumulation of $26,000,000, then it may be said, on the other hand, that this large accumulation is of no advantage to new policy-holders, and that they would be just as well off elsewhere.

Again, the Mutual Life has been, all through its successful career, the strenuous advocate of the all-cash plan in life insurance, and has actually, by its splendid example, persuaded the leading note companies to forego their very equitable credit practice, which furnished insurance cheaper than even the Mutual Life can now afford to offer it, but still maintained a contingent reserve potent enough in the event of any greater disaster. Now, with the new form of competition proposed by the Mutual Life, all the controversies of the old cash and credit plan will be revived, and the note companies must return to their old credit customs. The game will not be worth the powder to the Mutual Life, and we sincerely trust its officers and Trustees will reconsider the matter, and wholly abandon the dangerous project.

A Few Facts About Life Insurance.

To the Editor of The New-York Times:

There is no reason to believe that the Mutual Life Company, in proposing to lessen the rates of Life Insurance, is obstinately bent on insuring people only at the lower rates. No doubt it will hereafter continue to insure at the higher, or present rates, any one who insists upon paying these, and will keep, as it can easily do, the accounts separate of the higher and lower rate policy-holders. Then those who pay their money can have their choice. If you will inquire at the Company's office, no doubt they will tell you that they can and will do this.

There is no reason why an insurer who wishes to pay more than is needed to insure him should not be gratified; but as everybody is not fond of overpaying, it is also worth while to let those have a chance who desire to pay no more than is *needed for safety*. This the Mutual Life now proposes to do.

Eighteen other companies seem to have been so alarmed at this step of the Mutual Life that, abandoning their own paid actuaries, they have retained three gentlemen, who call themselves "consulting actuaries," to tell the public what *they* think about it. A "consulting actuary" is probably like a consulting lawyer—he thinks what his employes think; and what the eighteen employers of those three "consulting actuaries" necessarily and unavoidably think of a proposition to reduce the rates of life insurance, anybody may judge from a glance at the following tables, which show from official reports, first, the ratio between receipts and expenses in the eighteen companies, and in the Mutual Life for three years past, which, of course, shows the comparative economy of management; secondly, the percentage of claims by death on amounts insured, which shows the comparative care with which risks have been taken; and lastly, the proportion which unrealized assets bear to total assets, which shows how closely or loosely the companies have done business, unrealized assets being moneys due but not collected.

It appears from these official figures that,

1. If the expenses of the Mutual Life had been as great in only the last three years as the average (30.51) of the eighteen companies who do not like its present action, it would have paid out $9,730,000 more than it did pay for working expenses; a monstrous sum, nearly as great as the total expenses of the Mutual Life during the whole thirty years of its existence.

The Mutual Life, it would appear from this, may safely insure for lower rates, because, as these figures show, its management is and has been more economical than that of the eighteen companies who complain.

2. If the claims by death in the Mutual Life had been as great as the average of the eighteen companies who attack its course, it would have had to pay in 1871 $680,671 more than it was actually called upon to pay for its death losses. If these figures are correct, *the Mutual Life may safely insure for lower rates, because it has used greater care in selecting lives* than the eighteen companies who complain of it.

3. In every large business there are necessarily unsettled accounts and incomplete transactions; but that merchant will be the safest and can do business most economically who has the fewest of such unsettled and outstanding accounts.

Now, in this case of the total assets of the Mutual Life Company, three per cent. consist of balances due from agents, uncollected premiums, and the like. The average percentage of the same "unrealized assets," in the eighteen companies, is, according to these official figures, a little over seventeen per cent. If the Mutual Life's affairs were managed as these figures would indicate the other companies to have managed theirs, it would today have nearly *nine millions* of its funds outstanding, and, therefore, to a certain extent in peril.

4. But the first table below shows that, looking to the difference in the rates of expense between the Mutual Life and the average of the eighteen companies which attack it (9.25 for the Mutual Life, and 30.51 for the average of the other eighteen companies,) the Mutual Life can do business on the proposed lower rate—twenty per cent. reduction, namely—and yet continue to return to the new policy-holder as large dividends as the average of those eighteen companies.

It should be known that the figures in the following tables are taken from the sworn statements of the different companies to the Insurance Commissioner of Massachusetts. They are, of course, intended to be correct, and are believed to be so.

RATIO OF EXPENSES TO RECEIPTS.

Names of Companies.	1871.	1870.	1869.	Average of 3 years.
Brooklyn Life	25.98	27.12	27.59	26.67
Connecticut Mutual	41.21	39.76	44.39	41.79
Continental	24.42	24.10	20.77	23.13
Eclectic	77.09	61.35	62.15	66.49
Equitable	15.62	15.62	16.61	15.92
Excelsior	38.42	45.77	48.34	44.15
Germania	19.46	18.31	20.41	19.55
Guardian Mutual	31.30	28.31	27.06	29.05
Knickerbocker	18.89	19.23	15.44	16.94
Manhattan	14.29	14.29	14.28	14.29
Merchants'	79.09	69.65		74.36
Mutual Benefit	10.05	10.43	10.58	10.35
National, New-York	42.65	40.72	43.34	44.50
New-York	17.44	17.44	17.44	14.90
North America	20.38	17.70	23.12	20.38
Security	29.69	26.48	28.97	28.37
United States	22.35	19.74	18.90	22.70
World	39.11	34.62	34.62	42.40
Average in the eighteen companies				30.51
Mutual Life	7.57	9.22	10.57	9.25

RATIO of claims by death to mean amount insured in the year 1871:

NAMES OF COMPANIES.

Brooklyn Life	1.11	Manhattan	1.76
Continental	1.03	Mutual Benefit	1.27
Eclectic	1.09	New-York	1.18
Equitable	1.06	North America	1.22
Germania	1.17	Security	1.35
Guardian Mutual	1.46	United States	1.27
Knickerbocker	1.24	World	1.04
Average of percentages			1.23
Mutual Life			.99

Names of Companies.	Gross Assets.	Unrealized Assets.	Percentage.
Brooklyn Life	$1,625,549	$86,629	.5328
Continental	4,000,000	236,280	.5909
Eclectic	329,710	100,922	.3061
Equitable	16,079,249	1,020,072	.0634
Excelsior	628,249	115,923	.2104
Germania	2,956,806	450,558	.1524
Guardian Mutual	3,904,475	229,285	.2513
Knickerbocker	7,836,652	515,236	.1052
Manhattan	1,546,974	439,935	.2844
Merchants'	145,914	15,168	.1039
Mutual Benefit	24,181,756	765,674	.0317
National, New-York	866,468	204,828	.2363
New-York	18,836,817	903,851	.0480
North America	1,877,836	1,154,864	.6151
Security	3,380,022	718,840	.2190
United States	3,833,303	173,540	.0471
World	612,802	112,625	.2110
Average of these percentages			.1738
Mutual Life	21,502,000	1,106,607	
Percentage in the Mutual Life			.0522

These figures are commended to the scrutiny of the eighteen companies engaged in this crusade, to their officers and members by

A POLICY-HOLDER.

Singular Results of a Fall.

From the Bridgeport (Conn.) Standard, Dec. 7.

An accident, attended with singular results, occurred in Easton not long since. Mr. Thomas Wade, a resident of that place, fell down a flight of stairs, striking his side across the rail near the bottom. He experienced no inconvenience from the fall, excepting the loss of his voice. For two or three days his power of utterance was entirely gone. He could not speak, even in a whisper, and was obliged to make his wants known, and converse with his friends, by means of a slate and pencil. At the expiration of that time his voice came again, and he immediately felt a weakness in his side as if the life had departed from it.

It gives me pleasure to inform you concerning the efficacy of the Expectorant. Two years ago my son contracted the bronchitis, and it became so bad he had to take to his bed. I procured a bottle of Dr. Jayne's Expectorant, and giving it to him according to directions, it soon brought him relief; but a strong fever coming on, his mother and myself got uneasy about him, and sent for our family doctor. On his arrival he told us the Expectorant might give him ease, but it would not cure him, so he gave us some medicine of his own prescribing. In one day, however, he was so much worse we all feared he would die, and, as a last resort, we concluded to give the Expectorant another trial. To our great joy, after taking two bottles of it and one box of the Sanative Pills, he was entirely cured. Since that time I have cured a desperate case of croup with it, and two other cases of bronchitis. I therefore can safely say it is the best medicine for the throat and lungs I ever used for twenty-eight years, and I have no objection to your making public my experience with it.—*Peter Sauter, Lanesburg, La Sour County, Iowa—World.*

Nicol, Davidson & Co.,

NO. 405 BROADWAY,

are now opening fifty cases of Real Bronze Statuary, Gilt Parlor Ornaments, &c., being the latest productions of the Paris workshops.—Advertisement.

Half Morse and Half Man.

Rheumatism, Swellings, Lameness, and any kind of flesh, bone, or muscle ailment upon man or beast, is cured by UNCLE SAM'S LINIMENT, the most wonderful discovery of ancient or modern times.—*Advertisement.*

DR. THOS. J. RICE has perfected his new improvement in atmospheric-pressure plated for artificial teeth. They are the smallest and most compact plates ever worn, unsurpassed for strength, lightness, elasticity, and durability, and are almost immovable in the mouth. Filling teeth a specialty. No. 42 East Twenty-fourth-street, between Broadway and Fourth-avenue.—*Advertisement.*

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DR. M. LEVETT, Dentist, invites inspection to a remarkable invention, which, in conjunction with his own patent air cells, far surpasses and entirely supersedes the use of gold plate, plating, rubber, &c. Rubber is well known to be dry, heating, and unhealthy; this base is perfectly healthy, cool, hygienic, pure, feather light, transparent, flexible, warranted durable, and feeling like the skin of the gums. It has only to be seen to be understood and appreciated.

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Batchelor's Hair Dye is the best in the world; the only safe, true and perfect hair dye. No ridiculous tints—no disappointment—genuine reliable, instantaneous black or brown. At all druggists and No. 16 Bond-st.

Know all Men by these Presents, that DELANDO LITTLER'S SYRUP PECTORAL cures coughs, colds, croup, asthma, bronchitis, and consumption.

$10,000.—Dr. Sterling, Park-av., declares that he would not be without his Burglar Alarm Telegraph for $10,000. E. HOLMES, No. 7 Murray-st.

New-York Stencil Works, No. 97 Nassau-st., New-York.

MARRIED.

BROWN—WEEKS.—On Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1872, at residence of the bride's parents, JAMES N. BROWN to KATIE A., eldest daughter of Gilbert R. Weeks, both of Omaha, Neb.

☞ Omaha papers please copy.

DURHAM—DAUCHY.—At Summit, near Troy, N. Y., Dec. 4, at the residence of the bride, by Rev. J. E. Todd's, assisted by Rev. W. M. Johnson, Mr. HENRY DURHAM, of Newark, N. J., and Miss NELLIE DAUCHY, daughter of E. N. Dauchy, Esq.

DIED.

ALEXANDER.—On Sabbath morning, the 8th inst., LIZZIE MCK. ALEXANDER, aged 1 years, 3 months, and 21 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her parents, No. 138 8th-av., on Monday, the 9th inst., at 1 o'clock. Interment at Bronxville. A special car from the depot at 42d-st.

BRAINARD.—In Brooklyn, Dec. 6, suddenly, of pneumonia, MARY M., widow of the late Silas Brainard, of Portland, Conn., and daughter of the late Rev. Smith M. Miles, of Portland, Conn.

All friends are invited to attend the funeral services at the Church of the Messiah, corner Greene and Clermont-ave., Brooklyn, on Monday, Dec. 9, at 1 o'clock.

☞ Middletown, Conn., papers please copy.

CROES.—In Brooklyn, on Sunday, 8th inst., ANN S. CROES, daughter of the late Right Rev. John Croes of New-Jersey.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

DAYTON.—At New-Brunswick, N. J., on Saturday morning, Dec. 7, CHARLES P. DAYTON.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, at New-Brunswick, on Monday, 9th inst., at 2½ o'clock.

HULL.—On Saturday, Dec. 7, MARIA WARNELL, wife of John A. Hull.

The remains will be taken from her late residence, No. 235 East 15th-st., on Tuesday next, 9 A. M., to New-Canaan, Conn.

JACKSON.—At Flint, Mich., on Dec. 7, SILAS H. JACKSON, son of the late William Jackson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., in the 46th year of his age.

☞ Troy papers please copy.

LEACH.—On Friday, Dec. 6, WILSON, youngest child of George B. and Caroline C. Leach, aged 1 year, 4 months, 27 days.

The remains will be interred in Green-Wood.

LOVEGROVE.—On Sunday, Dec. 8, at St. Luke's Hospital, FOLSER P. LOVEGROVE, formerly of Baltimore, Md.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

At the Exchange, on Saturday, Dec. 7, James M. Miller, by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of H. Jarvis Jr., Esq., referee, disposed of the premises known as No. 24 Cornelia-slip, near Front-street, embracing a lot 21.3 by about 61 feet, with a three-story brick store thereon, for $16,600, the purchaser being H. Offerman. The other legal auction announced for the day, and heretofore several times adjourned, namely, sale by A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., of the two brown-stone front houses and lots Nos. 411 and 413 West Fifty-seventh-street, near Ninth-avenue, did not take place, it being stated that the suit involving the disposition of the property had for the present been discontinued. With the exception of a stock sale of minor importance, later in the day, nothing further worthy of note transpired.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S TRANSACTIONS.

The total value of City real estate sold at the Exchange for the week ending with Saturday, Dec. 7, amounts to $609,455, as against the sum of $668,985, the figures for the week previous, ending Saturday, Nov. 30. The most important sales made have been as follows: Tuesday, Dec. 3, sale by Muller, Wilkins & Co. of stone-front house No. 26 East Twenteth-street, with lot extending through to Nineteenth-street, sold for $21,600; same day, sale by S. P. Fairchild of two lots on the east side of Grand Boulevard, 25.4 feet south of Seventy-seventh-street, for $26,150, and four lots on the south side of Seventy-seventh-street, between the Boulevard and Tenth-avenue, for $24,400. Wednesday, Dec. 4, sale by James M. Miller of store and lot No. 47 Cliff-street, for $40,000; same day, sale by R. H. Ludlow & Co. of twenty-two lots on the north-east corner of Fourth-avenue and One Hundred and Seventh-street, for $31,300 in the total. Thursday, Dec. 5, sale by V. E. Stevenson & Son of one lot on the north-east corner of 45th-avenue and Nineteenth-street, for $60,000, and same day, sale by Wm. Kennedy of brown-stone house and lot on East Sixty-eighth-street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, for $46,500. Friday, Dec. 6, sale by Hugh N. Camp of lot, with building, No. 201 Canal-street, north-east corner of Mulberry-street, for $24,650. R. H. Ludlow & Co. sold the entire block bounded by Park-avenue, twenty acres of land, located at West Farms, Westchester County, situated on the Bronx River, near the Southern Boulevard, for $48,225 in the total. At the close the volume of business transacted at the Exchange during the week is not so large as that for the week previous, when the property belonging to the Banks estate was sold, still the auctions have been numerous and varied in their character, and the attendance of investors and others generally large each day, and a decided interest has been manifested in the proceedings, while bidding has been active, and fair prices realized, in most instances, at sales. The general result achieved is unusually good, showing as it does a strong market. Business will now probably slack off until after the holidays, after which, if we can predicate an opinion upon recent events, it will again set in with vigor, and a busy season may be expected.

Outside of New-York, the most important event that has occurred, in connection with real estate, was the extraordinarily successful auction, conducted by J. Cole, at the Commercial Exchange, in Brooklyn, on Thursday, Dec. 5, at which 1,250 lots belonging to the estate of Joseph C. Lefferts, deceased, situated in the Twenty-first Ward of Brooklyn, about three miles from the City Hall, were sold, under a Supreme Court partition decree issued in accordance with a legislative enactment. The property sold is known as the old North farm, and has been in the possession of the Lefferts family for over a century. It comprises a strip of land entirely surrounded by improvements of a good character, about one mile and a quarter in length, commencing near the easterly line of Bedford-avenue and terminating about 300 feet westerly from the line of Smyvesant-avenue, and in breadth about 700 feet, excluding the area of the streets and avenues that run through it. The character of the neighborhood that adjoins the premises may be inferred from the fact of houses already erected, all of them being of a good class, a large portion of them brown-stone and brick houses, varying in value from $10,000 to $15 000 each. It is well supplied with railroad communication, as the Fulton-avenue cars pass by the southerly side of it, within two or three blocks, the Greene and Yates avenue cars pass by it on the northerly side within two blocks, and the Nostrand-avenue cars run through the property on their way to and from the Eastern District to Prospect Park. The well-known Capitoline Base-ball Grounds are located on a portion of the property. The property had been prior to the auction, from their intrinsic as well as prospective value, naturally, therefore, excited attention, but no one anticipated that they would all be sold on Tuesday, and at prices exceeding the highest estimates. Such, however, was the fact. The attendance at the auction was numbered by hundreds, and the entire property was disposed of for nearly $1,000,000. No doubt the prices in detail have been referred, and further remark is therefore unnecessary, except to say that such a fortunate result cannot fail to exert generally a most beneficial effect upon real estate in Brooklyn, where for the past five years the market has been dull in the extreme. In connection with the sale, we may also add that much of the success achieved is due to the fact that small buyers who wanted a small lot, attended the sale in large numbers, and by bidding upon the lots offered, speculators were thereby obliged to pay for privileges much higher than they expected or wished.

SALES FOR THE PRESENT WEEK.

For this week the sales projected are comparatively few in number, and most of them special. The following is a list, however, of the auctions to take place, as far as announced, all at the Exchange, at which real estate will be offered as noted.

Tuesday, Dec. 10.

By Wm. Kennelly, at public auction, the three-story and basement high-stoop brick house and lot No. 160 East Thirty-second-street, south side, 25 feet east of Third-avenue, lot 18.9 by 42.2 by 18.11 by 49.1, house 43 feet deep. Also at public auction, the five-story brick tenement-house and lot No. 363 Madison-street, north side, 21.7 feet east of Scammel-street; lot 24.8 by 93, house 90 feet deep. The premises rent for $2,300 per annum. Also, at a Supreme Court sale, M. T. Brennan, Esq., referee, a house and lot on the south side of West Thirty-eighth-street, 100 feet east of Tenth-avenue, lot 27 by 98.9. Also, at another Supreme Court sale, T. Hennessey, Esq., referee, six lots on the west side of Fifth-avenue, 25 feet north of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth-street, together forming a plot in size 150 by 100—an exceedingly valuable piece of property.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co., at a Supreme Court sale, Henry Bonvalet, Esq., referee, the following City real estate: Four-story brick store and lot, No. 160 Greenwich-street, north-west corner of Courtlandt-street; two-story and attic brick-front house and lot, on the south-west corner of Jay and Staple streets; three-story brick house and lot, No. 17 Jay-street, north side, between Greenwich and Staple streets; and the three-story brick house and lot No. 12 Harrison-street, south side, between Greenwich and Staple streets. Also, at another similar sale, Wm. H. Hart, Esq., referee, a house and lot situate on the north side of East Seventy-eighth-street, 162.10 feet east of Lexington-avenue; lot 16.10 by 102.2.

By V. E. Stevenson & Son, at a Supreme Court sale, Murray Hoffman, Jr., Esq., referee, a lot, with building thereon, known as No. 18 Monroe-street; lot 25 by 50.10.

By R. H. Ludlow & Co., at a Supreme Court sale, Lawrence Redfield, Esq., referee, the four-story and basement high-stoop brown-stone front house and lease of lot No. 350 Fifth-avenue, west side, 25 feet south of Forty-eighth-street, lot 20 by 100, lease from Columbia College, dated May 1, 1864, for term of twenty-one years, with covenant of renewal for similar period.

By Henry H. Elliot, Jr., of Elliot & Conner, auctioneer, at a Supreme Court sale, John C. Conner, Esq., referee, a lot with two-story brick house thereon, located on the north side of East Sixteenth-street, 225 feet east of Avenue A; lot 22.1 by 92.

By Joseph McGuire, at an adjourned Supreme Court sale, John J. Post, Esq., referee, a five-story brick tenement-house and lot on the north side of Delancey-street, 25 feet west of Pitt-street; lot 25 by 75.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., at an adjourned Supreme Court sale, S. H. Olin, Esq., a house and lot on the north side of East Fifty-seventh street, 75 feet east of Second-avenue; lot 25 by 100.

By James M. Miller, at an adjourned Supreme Court sale, William M. Rowland, Esq., the store and lot No. 196 Church-street, near Walker-street; lot 21.2 by 75.

By Capers, Clark & Co., at public auction, the premises known as No. 149 Douglass-street, Brooklyn, north side, between Bond and Hoyt streets, embracing a lot 20 by 50, with two-story and basement brick house thereon, 40 feet deep.

Wednesday, Dec. 11.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co., by order of the Court of Common Pleas, A. G. Vanderpoel, Esq., referee, eight three-story and basement high-stoop Nos. 60 Scott-street, lots 16 feet each in size by 50, located on Madison-avenue, and situate as follows: Three on the east side of the avenue, 19.11 feet south of One Hundred and Thirty-third-street, two on the west side of the avenue, 18.11 feet south of the same street named, and three in the same block, on west side of avenue, 19.11 feet north of One Hundred and Thirty-second-street.

By Joseph McGuire, at a Supreme Court sale, T. H. Landon, Esq., referee, a new first-class four-story basement and cellar high-stoop brown-stone front house and lot, situate on the north side of East Sixty-eighth-street, 100 feet west of Fourth-avenue; lot 25 by 100.5; house 60 feet deep.

By James M. Miller, at a Supreme Court sale, S. Jones, Esq., referee, a house, with lease of lot, No. 50 Leonard-street; lot 24.8 by 100.

Thursday, Dec. 12.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co., at public auction, two very desirable lots, in size each 25 by 100, on the east side of Madison-avenue, 50.8 feet north of Seventy-fourth-street. Also, at an adjourned Supreme Court sale, M. T. Brennan, Esq., referee, a four-story and basement brown-stone front house, and lot on the north side of East Fifty-eighth-street, 156.6 feet west of Lexington-avenue; lot 16.8 by 100.5.

Friday, Dec. 13.

By Joseph McGuire, at a Supreme Court sale, Julius J. Lyons, Esq., referee, three lots, with buildings, on the west side of Avenue A, 80 feet north of Twentieth-street, the lots together forming a plot in size 48 by 98. By James M. Miller, at a Supreme Court sale, Wm. H. McDougall, Esq., referee, a plot of land about 125 feet square, located at Middletown, Richmond County, bounded by Park, Castleton, Grand View, and Woodland avenues.

Exchange Sales, Saturday, Dec. 7, 1872.

NEW-YORK.

By James M. Miller.

2 1-2-story brick store and lot, No. 24 Cornelia-slip, c. s., 67.3 ft. s. of Front-st., lot 21.3x61.8x irreg. $16,000

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

WEST-TOWN.

Friday, Dec. 6.

Boulevard, w. s., 41.1 ft. n. of Manhattan-st., 12.1 x8.6x11.5, gore $800

Boulevard, e. s., without, 275.4 ft. n. of 70th-st., 25.3x24.1 ..... 2,[illegible]

Carmine-st., n. s., No. 81, 22.11x100.2, irregular 41,500

11th-st., n. s., 320.6 ft. e. of Avenue A, 18x100.2, hs. and lo. 30,100

24th-st., s. s., 150 ft. e. of 4th-av., 20x37.4, h. and l., husband to wife ..... [illegible]

26th-st., n. s., 125.6 ft. w. of 7th-av., 12.10x98.9, No. 312 7,000

44th-st., n. s., 60 ft. e. of 10th-av., 20x100 15,000

46th-st., n. s., 340 ft. e. of 8th-av., 50x100.5, Central lease 8,000

113th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 6th-av., widened, 25x100.11 4,400

120th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 2d-av., 25.11x99.11, 3 sts. and hs. 36,000

2d-av., e. s., 19.9 ft. n. of 26th-st., 19.9x93.10 14,000

2d-av., e. s., 20.10 ft. n. of 116th-st., 20x75 24,500

7th-av., No. 394, w. s., 112.1 ft. n. of 24th-st., 18x75, ½ part, mortgage $4,000 8,000

8th-av., s. w. corner 43d-st., 23.7x100; 8th-av., w. s., 23.7 ft. n. of 42d-st., 50x100, mortgages $60,000,100,000

LEASES RECORDED.

Water-st., No. 152, 10 years, per year $2,400

12th-st., No. 56, 5 years, per year 1,800

8th-av., No. 107, the Woodbine, 3 years, per year 3,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FIFTH, MADISON, AND THE OTHER east side avenue lots for sale; also, cross-street lots and valuable water-fronts. T. G. & D. BROWN, No. 80 Broadway.

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References by permission: Messrs. Brown, Brothers & Co., Wm. E. Dodge, Esq.

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

SUPREME COURT SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED PROPERTY ON GREENWICH, CORTLANDT, JAY, AND HARRISON STS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, F. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Dec. 10, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, under the direction of Henry Brewster, Esq., referee:

GREENWICH-STREET—The four-story brick store and lot situate on the north-west corner of Greenwich and Cortlandt sts., No. 160 Greenwich-st.

JAY-STREET—The two-story and attic brick-front house and lot situate on the south-west corner of Jay and Staple sts.

JAY-STREET—The three-story brick house and lot, north side of Jay-st., between Greenwich and Staple sts., No. 17.

HARRISON-STREET—The three-story brick house and lot, south-side of Harrison-st., between Greenwich and Staple sts., No. 12.

LODI PRINT WORKS—IN BANKRUPTCY.—Assignee's sale at public auction.—Pursuant to an order of the District Court of the United States for the District of New-Jersey, the undersigned will sell, at public auction, without reserve, to the highest bidder, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of December, 1872, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, at Lodi, Bergen County, N. J., the manufacturing property, known as "The Lodi Print Works," comprising all the real estate, fixtures, fixed machinery, water rights, etc., belonging to the Company, unless previously disposed of at private sale.

Terms may be known on application to the undersigned.

NATHAN HOBART,
Assignee in bankruptcy of the Lodi Print Works, No. 55 Leonard-st., New-York City.

The foregoing sale is adjourned, by order of the Court, to Dec. 18, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the same place.

NATHAN HOBART,
Assignee Lodi Print Works.

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TO LET OR LEASE—THE LARGE DWELLING house, No. 7 Gramercy-park, corner 20th-st.; also, a three-story high-stoop house on 27th-st. Apply at No. 108 Fulton-st., of PETER A. H. JACKSON.

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ASSETS $8,234,565 24
Present rate of Interest, Five per Cent.
Money deposited now will bear interest from January 1.
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Bank No. 56 Bowery, south-west corner of Canal-st.
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DEPOSIT TODAY in the SAVINGS BANK Chartered by the United States.
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HAVING FIFTY YEARS TO RUN, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN UNITED STATES GOLD COIN, "not inferior to the present standard." Interest payable semi-annually in New-York, on the 1st day of June and December, and guaranteed jointly and severally by the

THE CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON RAILROAD COMPANY,
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THE GRAND RAPIDS AND INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY.

The road is completed and in full operation, and extends ninety miles from Fort Wayne to Richmond, Ind., and has contracts running ninety-nine years for the interchange of business with the above Companies, and with the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company. Price 99 1-2 and interest. Full particulars on application to

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
NO. 37 PINE-ST.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,
BANKERS, NO. 8 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT ON MUNROE & CO., PARIS, AND ON THE CONSOLIDATED BANK, LONDON.

OFFICE OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 23 5TH-AV., NEW-YORK, Dec. 3, 1872.

THE BOOKS FOR THE TRANSFER of registered bonds will be closed on SATURDAY, Dec. 14, to prepare for the payment by check of the semi-annual interest due Jan. 1, 1873.

The payment will be made, as heretofore, by mailing to the address of each bondholder of record at the closing of the books, a coin check for the amount of interest due.

All bondholders who have changed their address since July 1, 1872, are requested to send their present address to this office immediately.

The books will be reopened on THURSDAY, Jan. 2, 1873.

A. H. RAPLEY, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL.

TRAFFIC GUARANTEE
AND
REDEMPTION BONDS
OF THE
Springfield and Illinois South-eastern Railway.

Road 228 miles long, entirely completed and equipped. First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds. Only $15,000 per mile. Interest payable semi-annually at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company in New-York.

PRICE 90 AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

This Road has a Traffic Guarantee from the well-known "Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis Railway," by which it is estimated that from One Hundred to Two Hundred Thousand Dollars of these Bonds will be redeemed by lot at par and accrued interest, each year, giving the fortunate holder 10 per cent. profit, besides 7 per cent. interest upon the investment.

We invite the attention of Capitalists and Investors to this security as a particularly desirable and safe one, and should be glad to furnish Pamphlets and Maps and full particulars upon written or personal application.

We have also for sale a small balance of the quarterly Coupon 6 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS of the "LIGONIER COAL AND IRON RAILROAD" of the SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY" of Indiana, a completed Road, running for twelve miles through the CELEBRATED BLOCK COAL FIELD.

Government Bonds and all marketable securities taken in exchange at the market rates.

JONES & SCHUYLER,
No. 12 Pine-st., New-York.

Lake Ontario Shore R.R.
7 PER CENT. GOLD
FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
At 90 1-2 and Accrued Interest.

Issue, $20,000 per mile. Subscriptions to the Capital Stock over $3,000,000. Road runs through a populous and rich agricultural district from Oswego to Lewiston, on the Niagara River, with branches to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge. Connects at either end with leading Trunk Lines; is admirably located for securing large and profitable local and through business; 45 miles of track already laid; and whole length, 150 miles, under contract to be finished within ensuing year. Pamphlets with full particulars furnished.

We commend the above loan as one of the most reliable and attractive on the market. For sale by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,
No. 25 Nassau-st.

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
OF THE
Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western
EXTENSION RAILWAY.
7 PER CENT. GOLD.
COUPONS PAYABLE JANUARY AND JULY.

Sales of these bonds TO INVESTORS during the month of November were $597,000. The Indianapolis, Bloomington, and Western Road, from Indianapolis to Peoria, 161 miles, HAS BEEN IN OPERATION TWO YEARS, and has net earnings sufficient to guarantee punctual payment on all obligations of the Company, including the bonds on the Extension, which, from the data in hand, will have when completed an income larger than that of the old road at the present time.

Nearly 100 miles of the Extension is finished, and the whole will be completed during 1873, making a trunk line, under one corporation, of 420 miles in a section not surpassed by any in the West.

It is seldom so strong a security is offered as the low price of 90 AND INTEREST.

We recommend these Bonds as one of the most desirable securities in the market to all investors, and especially to banks, insurance companies, and for the use of trust funds.

All having large investments to make are invited to go over the line and make personal examination. Pamphlets, maps, &c., furnished on application.

Turner Brothers,
Bankers, No. 14 Nassau-st.

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

7 PER CENT. 1st MORTGAGE GOLD BONDS, coupon and registered. Interest payable April and October, in New-York City. This road, now making rapid progress toward completion, is the western end of the NEW AIR-LINE from Chicago to Buffalo, with the best business connections at Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, and Buffalo.

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MIDLAND BONDS

A 7 per cent. Mortgage Bond for sale on one of the great roads running from New-York City—on THE THIRD LARGEST ROAD IN NEW-YORK STATE. The most desirable bond of all the Midland issues, affording the largest income and promising the greatest profit.

Price 85 and interest.

We believe them one of the safest and most profitable investments offered in this market for years.

ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO
BANKERS,
SOLE AGENTS FOR THIS LOAN,
NO. 25 PINE-ST.

Bonds of City of St. Paul, Minn.,
8 Per Cent., Semi-Annual Interest.
FOR SALE BY
FITCH, OTIS & CO.,
NO. 11 PINE-ST.
All due bonds or interest coupons of City of St. Paul will be redeemed on presentation in City of New-York.

CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY OF NEW-JERSEY.

CONVERTIBLE BONDS, DUE 1902.

Until further notice the Bonds remaining on hand can be obtained, at par and interest, by application to SAMUEL KNOX, Treasurer, No. 113 Liberty-st. The Bonds are for $1,000 each, bearing date Nov. 1, 1872, and payable in thirty years, with interest coupons attached, due May 1 and Nov. 1, free of all State and United States taxes, with the right of conversion at any time between Nov. 1, 1872, and Nov. 1, 1877, at par, into the capital stock of the Company; with a provision that, should the Company hereafter execute a mortgage to secure the payment of any other of its obligations, these Bonds shall be included in such mortgage. The Bonds can either be registered in the name of the owner, or pass as "Bearer" Bonds, as desired, from time to time.

JOHN TAYLOR JOHNSTON,
ADAM NORRIS,
BENJAMIN WILLIAMSON,
JAS. BOORMAN JOHNSTON,
SIDNEY DILLON.
} Finance Committee.

ATLANTIC INSURANCE SCRIP BOUGHT AND SOLD BY W. C. GILMAN, No. 40 Pine-st.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the annual election for Directors of the Maryland Coal Company will be held at the Company's office, No. 111 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Dec. 10, 1872, the polls to remain open between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.

The stock transfer-books of the Company will be closed from Nov. 26 to Dec. 10, 1872, both inclusive.

W. M. BRAMHALL, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE NEW-YORK FREAR-STONE COMPANY for the election of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at their office, No. 248 Broadway, Dec. 12, 1872.

The polls will be open from 2 until 4 P. M. The transfer-books will be closed from the 5d to the 12th inst., inclusive.

CHARLES W. DARLING, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

SEVEN PER CENT.

STATE AID BONDS,

TO THE ARKANSAS CENTRAL RAILWAY,

A FIRST LIEN

ON THE REVENUE OF THE ROAD,

ONLY $15,000 PER MILE.

At Seventy-five Cents

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This is the Great Central East and West route through Arkansas, CONNECTING THE THREE LARGEST CITIES IN THE STATE, Helena, Pine Bluff, and Little Rock, the Capital. This route has supported a LINE OF FIVE STEAMERS for several years. Connects with the GREAT COAL FIELDS west of Little Rock, and THE CATTLE TRADE from Texas, with unrestricted control of the COTTON PRODUCT FROM THE RICHEST PLANTATIONS IN THE WORLD. With these facts, careful investors will at once observe the immense traffic that awaits this Road.

Interest payable 1st October and April, at the Union Trust Company, New-York.

Maps, circulars, pamphlets, giving full particulars of the loan, to be had by addressing the undersigned.

WILLIAMS & ROSTWICK,
Bankers, No. 49 Wall-st., New-York.

LOAN FOR $847,500
FOR THE
DEFICIENCY IN THE SINKING FUND,
UNDER
Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution.

The Commissioners of the Canal Fund, by virtue of the act entitled "An act to provide money to meet the Government," passed April 13, 1846, and in accordance with section three of article seven of the Constitution, hereby give notice that sealed proposals will be received at the Canal Department for the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF DECEMBER INST., at 12 o'clock noon of that day, for a loan of

Eight Hundred and Forty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars,

for which transferable Certificates of Stock, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD, either Registered or Coupon, at the option of the purchaser, will be issued in the name of the People of the State of New-York, on the credit of the Sinking Fund, under section three, article seven, of the Constitution, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first days of July and January in each year, and the principal reimbursable on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

It is to be understood that the Commissioners are to be at liberty to accept or reject any or all proposals, if the offers are not such as in their opinion are advantageous to the interest of the State.

The proposals may be for the whole, or any part of said loan, not less than $10,000.

All proposals to be sealed up and indorsed "Loan for the Sinking Fund," and inclosed in an envelope directed to the Auditor of the Canal Department, Albany, N. Y.

The money will be required to be paid in gold coin on the acceptance of the proposal, or by the 1st day of January next.

Payment to be made by depositing the same to the credit of the "Treasurer of the State of New-York, on account of the Canal Fund," in the bank of the Manhattan Company, New-York.

Interest on the loan will commence on the 1st day of January next, and be payable semi-annually on the 1st days of July and January, at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in the City of New-York.

Dated Canal Department, Albany, Dec. 5, 1872.

ALLEN C. BEACH, Lieutenant-Governor.
NELSON K. HOPKINS, Comptroller.
G. HOWARD DAVIS, Secretary of State.
THOMAS RAINES, Treasurer.
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Jacksonville, North-western and South-eastern Railroad.

HAVING THIRTY YEARS TO RUN,

Bearing interest at 7 per cent. in Gold Coin, "of or equal to the present standard."

Coupons payable in New-York, London, or Frankfort, on the Main, at the option of the holder. When desired, bonds will be registered by the Trustee—the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company. Interest payable January and July.

The road is now completed from Jacksonville to Junction with the CHICAGO AND ATLANTIC RAILROAD, Virdin, a distance of 176 miles. The road, so far as completed, is thoroughly equipped, ENTIRELY PAID FOR, and in full operation, and it is upon the completed portion only that bonds amounting to $800,000 are now offered at 85 and accrued interest, in currency. Bonds upon the remaining portion of the road will be sold at a much higher price, and will be offered only upon completed road. The road is now the property of the State, crosses all the most important roads, controls the enormous coal mines at Virdin, and its bonds are most highly esteemed by those whose investigation has been most searching, and who have carefully examined every detail of this Company, and have gone repeatedly over the entire line. We are consequently satisfied that the issue of these bonds is an ABSOLUTELY PERFECT security.

Pamphlets and further particulars may be had by applying to GIBSON, CASANOVA & CO., Bankers, No. 50 Exchange-place, New-York.

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FIRST-CLASS RAILROAD AND MUNICIPAL BONDS ALWAYS ON HAND FOR INVESTMENT.
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MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

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FIVE PER CENT. Interest Allowed on Deposits.

The business of our firm is the same as any State or National Bank.

Individuals or firms banking with us may deposit and draw as they please, the same as with any bank, except that we allow five per Cent. Interest on all balances.

We buy and sell Bonds, Stocks, Gold, Business Paper, and collect Business Notes and Drafts throughout the United States, giving prompt returns.

ILLINOIS REGISTERED BONDS.

We offer for sale the following:

$41,000 WHITE COUNTY, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.
95,000 JOHNSON COUNTY, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.
95,000 PULASKI COUNTY, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.
95,000 ALEXANDER COUNTY, 8 p. c., 20 yrs.
95,000 CAIRO CITY, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.
15,000 CARMI TOWN, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.
14,000 GRAYVILLE TOWN, 8 per ct., 20 yrs.

The interest on these bonds is paid by the State Treasurer in New-York, and by the laws governing their issue, they are made as safe as State Bonds.

WINSLOW & WILSON,
NO. 70 WILLIAM-ST.

PROPOSALS FOR BONDS.

Holders of bonds of the following Companies, bearing the traffic guarantee of the Great Western Railway Company, of Canada, are hereby informed that the sums mentioned below have been applied from traffic to the 31st October, 1872, by the said Great Western Railway Company, for the purchase of bonds as no more than par, for which proposals will be received by the undersigned, at his office, 45 Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, until the 15th day of January, 1873:

Detroit, Hillsdale and Indiana Railroad Company $4,010 22
Detroit, Eel River and Illinois Railroad Company 4,823 21

JOSEPH PRICE, Treasurer, &c.
Great Western Railroad, of Canada.

DEC. 1, 1872.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS OF THE WORLD.

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A. DODWORTH'S
CLASSES FOR DANCING,
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Twice-a-week classes on Mondays and Thursdays, Tuesdays and Fridays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.
Once a week, on Saturday morning and Friday evening. Monday and Thursday evenings for gentlemen.
For terms, &c., send for circular.

TRENOR'S DANCING ACADEMY,
Lyceum Hall, No. 723 6th-av., Reservoir-Square.
Pupils can commence at any time, attend at their convenience, and learn any dance, such as the REDOWA WALTZ, GLIDE WALTZ, &c. For days and hours, send or call for circulars.

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RESOLUTE FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
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ORGANIZED JULY 10, 1857.
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CASH CAPITAL $300,000
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Buildings, Merchandise, Dwellings, Furniture, and Vessels in port, insured against loss and damage by FIRE, at current rates.

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EXTRACT FROM INSURANCE SPECTATOR.

The RESOLUTE has had its share of the untoward experiences and perils which have environed fire insurance of late years; but the Company's stockholders have never faltered in their determination to maintain the highest credit, and no one who ever held one of the Resolute's policies can pay it other than he was paid less than 100 cents on the dollar, or that he was the recipient of other than the most high-toned and liberal treatment.

OFFICE OF
THE MECHANICS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF BROOKLYN,
No. 217 Montague-st., Brooklyn, and No. 165 Broadway, New-York.
BROOKLYN, Nov. 11, 1872.

Cash Capital . . . $150,000
Assets 240,000

We have no agencies, and only $5,000 in the burnt district in Boston, and respectfully solicit the patronage of our friends and the public.

JOHN H. BAKER, President.
WALTER NICHOLS, Secretary.

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FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NO. 161 BROADWAY.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Errors having been made in publishing losses of insurance companies by the fire in Boston, the President and Directors of this Company deem it expedient and proper to inform the public that the whole amount of risks this Company has in the burnt district in Boston is $104,000; that if this amount is a total loss, the Company will pay it promptly and still have a handsome surplus remaining over and above its capital. From such information as can be obtained, it is believed, however, that the Company's loss will not exceed $75,000.

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NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS.
Sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on WEDNESDAYS, calling next day at Queenstown.

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ATLANTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 11, ——

From the White Star Dock, Twenty-fourth-st., Jersey City.

Passenger accommodations (for all classes) unsurpassed, combining

SAFETY, SPEED AND COMFORT.

Saloon, State-rooms, smoking-rooms and bath-rooms in MIDSHIP section, where least motion is felt.

Surgeons and stewardesses accompany these steamers.

Rates—Saloon, $80, gold; steerage, $28, currency. These sailings are made to send for friends from the old country. Children under eight years, steerage passage, half price.

Passengers booked at or from all parts of America, to Paris, Havre, Hamburg, Norway, Sweden, India, Australia, China, &c.

Drafts from $1 upward.

For inspection of plans and other information apply at the Company's offices, No. 19 Broadway, New-York.

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OF STEAM-SHIPS.

WEEKLY TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
FORTNIGHTLY TO LONDON DIRECT.
From Pier No. 45 and 47 North River.

TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

ITALY, THOMPSON.....Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 1 P. M.
SPAIN, CRAGIN.....Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 7½ A. M.
CANADA, WEBSTER.....Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 1 P. M.
GREECE, THOMAS.....Wednesday, Jan. 1, at 7½ A. M.

TO LONDON DIRECT.

THE QUEEN, ANDREWS.....Saturday, Dec. 14, at 3 P. M.
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These steam-ships are

THE LARGEST IN THE TRADE.

Cabin passage.....$75 and $80, currency
Steerage.....$28, currency.
Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool, Queenstown, Londonderry, Glasgow, Cardiff, Bristol, or London.....$30, currency.

CHEAPER THAN BY ANY OTHER LINE.

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F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

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Passengers booked and forwarded to and from all railway stations in Great Britain, Ireland, Germany, Norway, Sweden, or Denmark and America carefully, speedily, comfortably, and cheaply as by any other route or line.

From New-York.	From Glasgow.
Saturday, Dec. 14.....INDIA	Saturday, Jan. 4.
Saturday, Dec. 21.....CALIFORNIA	Saturday, Jan. 11.
Saturday, Dec. 28.....ASSYRIA, FERRY AND CERLI.	Saturday, Jan. 18.
Saturday, Jan. 4.....VICTORIA	Saturday, Jan. 25.
Saturday, Jan. 11.....EUROPA	Saturday, Feb. 1.

At noon, from Pier No. 20 North River, New-York.

Current rates of passage to Liverpool, Glasgow, or Derry, by Saturday steamers, $60 and $75; excursion tickets, $120; intermediate, $35; steerage, $28. Certificates at lowest rates can be bought here by those wishing to send for their friends.

Apply at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, to

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Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF MONTREAL.....Thursday, Dec. 12, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BERLIN.....Saturday, Dec. 14, 7 A. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Dec. 21, 10 A. M.
CITY OF LIMERICK.....Thursday, Dec. 26, 2 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Dec. 28, 2 P. M.

and every succeeding SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
Payable in Gold. Payable in Currency.

First cabin	$75	Steerage	$28
To London	80	To London	30
To Paris	90	To Paris	35

Passenger tickets to Havre, Hamburg, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, at reduced rates.

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JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

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JOHN G. DALE, Agent.
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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM-SHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

FROM NEW-YORK.	FROM NEW-YORK.
Java, Wednesday, Dec. 11.	Cuba, Wednesday, Jan. 1
Calabria, Wed'ay, Dec. 18.	Parthia, Wed'ay, Jan. 8
Abyssinia, Wed'y, Dec. 25.	Java, Wednesday, Jan. 15

And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY from New-York.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

Cabin, $80, $100, and $120, gold, according to accommodation.

Tickets to Paris, $15, gold, additional.

Return tickets on favorable terms.

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Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.

Through tickets to Paris from Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

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STEAM-SHIP LINE.

NEW-YORK TO BRISTOL, (Eng.) DIRECT.

Taking goods and passengers for London, Cardiff, Newport, Gloucester, and all ports in Bristol Channel.

THE STEAMERS OF THIS LINE WILL SAIL FROM THE ATLANTIC DOCK, BROOKLYN, AS FOLLOWS:

GREAT WESTERN, STAMPER.....Thursday, Dec. 12
ARRAGON, WESTON.....Saturday, Dec. 28

Cabin passage	$70 currency.
Steerage	$30 currency.

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For freight or passage, apply to E. S. MORGAN'S SONS, No. 70 South-st., New-York.

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The splendid vestibule ship Europe, sails for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

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PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wine)
To Havre or Brest or Southampton.
First cabin.....$75 Second cabin.....$45

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, can avoid the discomforts of this line, avoid both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel besides saving time, trouble and expense.

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FIRES LAST NIGHT.

Destruction of the "Express" Newspaper Building.

The Loss Estimated at About $70,000 —A Fire in Dey-Street.

Smoke was discovered issuing from the central window on the third floor of the five-story brown-stone front building, Nos. 13 and 15 Park-row, at 11:05 o'clock last night, by Officer Devine, of the Second Precinct. He at once gave the fire-alarm, and Capt. Caffrey, with the reserve section of the Second Precinct, formed a fire-line around the burning building, which was the office of the *Evening Express* newspaper. The flames spreading with great rapidity, a second alarm was sounded, and Chief Engineer Perley and the main body of the Fire Department were soon at hand. The basement of the building was occupied as the press-room and paper warehouse of the *Express*. The first floor was occupied by the publication office of the *Express* and the restaurant and billiard-saloon of Vandyke & O'Halloran. S. H. Gildersleeve, successor to Samuel French, job printer, occupied the second, third, and part of the rear of the fourth floor. The offices and library of Messrs. Erastus and James Brooks, editors and proprietors of the *Express*, filled the remainder of the fourth floor. The front of the fifth floor was occupied by the editorial staff of the *Express*, and the composing-room extended through the rear of the fifth floor of the building. The Fire Department worked manfully to prevent the fire spreading. This was a difficult task, owing not only to the inflammable nature of the property in the building, but also to the peculiar construction of the building which favored the fire spreading. Reserves of Police from the Third, Twenty-seventh and Sixth Precincts assisted the Second Precinct Police in preserving order. Fire Engineers Brandon, Bates, Brincher, Munroe and Furlong were on the ground and aided Chief Perley in the disposition of the firemen. The flames from the third story ran rapidly up the closed hatchway and shafts used to lower forms and type, and broke out with renewed power and violence on the fourth and fifth floors. Chief Perley at once ordered two engines to the rear of the building in Theatre-alley, and the fire was thus placed between two streams of water. The stream of water falling timber fell down the shafts, however, into the basement and subcellar, and a stream of water was poured in there. It became necessary that a stream of water should at once be thrown into a side window on the fifth floor, and the power and efficiency of the Department was quickly shown. Engine No. 7 was brought into play, and the stream, a steady one, was successfully thrown into the window. After nearly two hours of steadfast labor, the firemen subdued the flames and saved the surrounding buildings. The loss to the *Express* newspaper on paper stock, type, printing machinery, &c., cannot fall far short of $35,000. The libraries, most valuable in their nature, including complete files of the *Express* from the first day of publication, were destroyed, and involve a loss of at least $10,000. Mr. Gildersleeve, the printer, did a most extensive business, and his loss, as near as could be estimated last night, will not far short of $15,000. The loss to the proprietors of the restaurant on the first floor will probably reach $2,500. The building, owned by the Greenwall estate, is damaged $6,000; insured. If the fire had spread through the rear on Theatre-alley, a most disastrous conflagration would have resulted.

HISTORY OF THE EXPRESS.

The *Evening Express* was started in July, 1836, in support of Gen. Harrison, then a candidate for the Presidency, and has continued a prosperous journal ever since. Mr. Erastus Brooks had entered journalism in the year 1832, being at that time editor and part owner of the *Herkimer Gazette*. He relinquished this position in 1836, and became the Washington correspondent of the New-York *Daily Advertiser*, which paper was afterward merged into the *Express*, when Mr. Brooks obtained an interest in the paper, and has ever since been its principal proprietor. For sixteen years he continued to attend the sessions of Congress, conducting his paper there in part as its Washington editor. Mr. Jas. Brooks subsequently entered the office, and is also part owner of the establishment with his brother. Last Summer the *Express* was renovated in appearance by new type and additional machinery, so that the loss sustained by the proprietors is a severe one. No doubt they will soon recover from the sudden disaster that has overtaken them, and issue the paper without much delay.

NEW-YORK NEWSPAPERS HERETOFORE BURNED OUT.

Of the prominent daily journals now in existence in the Metropolis, nearly every one has suffered, at one time or other, from the common New-York experience of being "burned out." The *Herald*, we believe, has twice been a sufferer from fire. The *Tribune* and *Sun* at least once each. While the *Evening Post*, *Journal of Commerce*, and *Commercial Advertiser* have all passed through the fiery ordeal. The only dailies now in existence which have so far enjoyed immunity from this misfortune, are the TIMES and *World*.

Fire in Dey-Street.

While the Park-row fire was at its height another detachment of the Fire Brigade came thundering down Broadway, scattering the crowds in the open square as they stood looking at the *Express* fire. It was then discovered that another fire had broken out in Dey-street, causing many people to run down there in search of fresh excitement. The firemen, on arriving on the ground, found that the flames had broken out on the third floor of the large five-story brick building No. 78 Dey-street, occupied by Meyer & Underhill as a feed and flour-store. As they responded so promptly, the firemen were able to check the flames by means of extinguishers, so that the loss was not over $3,000, chiefly by water.

HORACE GREELEY.

Sermon on the Life of Mr. Greeley—The Reasons Why he Should Not Have Been Elected.

A large audience assembled at the M. E. Church, in Second-street, last night, to listen to a sermon from Rev. Henry Aston, subject, "Horace Greeley: Lessons from his Life."

The discourse was especially intended for young men, and the congregation, as a consequence, was largely composed of that class. The preacher took as his text the words which Mr. Greeley uttered just before he relapsed into the death stupor, found in Job xix, 25, "For I know that my Redeemer liveth." The preacher said: I do not intend to devote this discourse to an extended eulogy of Mr. Greeley, of his life, actions, and public career. This has already been done from a thousand pulpits, and in numberless columns of the Press. Mr. Greeley's actions and life are known to all, and there is no need that I should devote the evening to a mere eulogy. I rather desire to call the attention of the young, of those who are just entering into the broad arena of the busy world, to the lessons to be derived from a contemplation of the career of a man whose life was so remarkable for its effect upon our country, and whose death called forth such expressions of heartfelt sorrow from the civilized world. The first lesson which the life of Mr. Greeley teaches is that of self-reliance and indomitable energy. He was the son of a poor farmer in New-Hampshire. When he was ten years old his father removed to Vermont, and shortly afterward to Erie, Penn. Mr. Greeley came to New-York without friends, and almost destitute of money. Two years afterward he started a paper, which failed. Then he started another; in this he was unsuccessful. Not faltering, he tried his hand again, and finally, after repeated failures, he succeeded in the *Tribune*, through which he accomplished those works which have rendered his life famous. The lesson to be learned from all this is, "Help yourself, and you will be helped by others." When you are old enough to start out in life, do it with vim and perpicacity. Fail once, and, still persevering, you will finally be successful. It makes little difference how low your birth, or how small your beginnings. Luther began as a strolling singer, and by and by he shook thrones with the force of his arguments and sterling energy. Bunyan tinkered old pots and kettles, but his *Pilgrim's Progress* has made his name immortal. Whitefield was a boot-black in youth, but his eloquence and perseverance gained him a name in the history of the Church which will be forever illustrious. Washington as a farmer's boy, Lincoln as a rail-splitter, Ulysses S. Grant as a tanner and son of a Methodist class-leader, are conspicuous examples of what energy and integrity will accomplish; and last, but not least, we come to Horace Greeley, whose moral heroism and steadfast purpose which have made him famous in the history of the country. You may ask how he failed in running for the Presidency? Why, when he had been generally successful, he was not elected to the White House. There are four reasons why he was not and should not have been elected. First, there was no room, as most already there. The people knew that Grant's Administration had proved eminently successful, and that a change was not needed.

Second—Mr. Greeley was better off in his chair of journalism than anywhere else. He was of more use to himself and the country there than he could possibly be in any other position. It was in the editorial chair that he had achieved the triumps which made his name famous.

Third—Good men have been spoiled in the White House, and to place Mr. Greeley there would be to subject him to the dangers of an untried position.

Fourth—It was not Mr. Greeley, himself, in the Presidential chair, that the people feared, but Mr. Greeley espousing a bad cause, with the rebel community as his supporters, and dangerous parties as his advisers. So Mr. Greeley was not elected. Whether he died on the result of his failure, it is hard to say. Probably not. He is more likely than he died as the result of an overtrain upon his constitution, caused by prolonged watching at the bedside of his dying wife. But, with all his weaknesses, a nation mourns at his departure, and justly too. The work which he wrought was of vital importance to the lives and liberties of millions of people. He battled bravely and manfully for the right, and the influence of his writings and example will live on long after him. Dying, his last words evinced a firm belief in the truthfulness and holiness of the Scriptures, and proved that whatever has been said concerning his disbelief is a personal Savior, his ministry was in that Gospel which says, "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

THE BIBLE IN SCHOOLS.

Superintendent Weaver's Recent Decision—Discourse by Rev. D. McAllister.

In the Third Reformed Presbyterian Church, Twenty-second-street and Seventh-avenue, Rev. D. McAllister last night delivered a discourse on "The Bible in Public Schools." He took for his text: "These words which I command thee this day shall be in thine heart, and thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children."—Deuteronomy *vi. 6, 7.*

The speaker said the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of New-York, Hon. Mr. Weaver, has recently recorded his decision that there is no legal place for the Bible or any religious instruction in the common schools of the State. We have here an authoritative decision on a most important question. As American citizens, interested in the welfare our children and our country's future, it becomes us carefully to examine it. The question raised has two divisions. It is a question of law, and a question also, as any legal question is, of ethics and of right. Mr. Weaver decides that the Bible cannot be legally used in our schools, and affirms the moral rectitude of the decision on the ground that it is not the province of the State to teach religion. We propose to examine the two aspects of the question in order.

I. What is the right and proper relation of State education to the Bible and religion? The text, with other portions of Scripture, declares the duty of the nation or State to teach the children of the commonwealth the commandments of the Scriptures. The preceding context gives the moral code of the Ten Commandments. The injunction then follows, addressed not only to heads of households, but to the nation, as such, "teach them diligently to thy children." Here are the nation's right and duty, as there can be no duty without its right, no right without its duty. Several solutions in the way of compromise have been proposed for the problem of State education and religion; the deferring of the settlement in each case to the local board; separate religious instruction by ministers and others called in; or instruction by the teachers outside of regular hours, and other plans have been devised. But the question in every case at last narrows itself down to this: Have the Bible and religion any proper place in the common schools, or must public school instruction be completely secularized?

In attempting to give a correct answer to this question, I would state, first, that the very nature of the work of education requires the use of the Bible and religion by the State. Standard lexicographers agree concerning the meaning of the word education. It is the development and cultivation of the physical, intellectual, and moral faculties. In Webster's Unabridged Dictionary we find this definition: "Education is properly to draw forth, and implies not so much the communication of knowledge, as the discipline of the intellect, the establishment of the principles, and the regulation of the heart." If the State has to do with education, then, it has to do with the moral and religious nature of its scholars. On a prominent principle of the leading opponents of the Bible in the schools, that morality and religion cannot be dispensed with by the State. These opponents insist on having the State give instruction in gymnastics, or calisthenics, and music, because the pupils have physical and vocal faculties. But if the possession of vocal organs is a good basis for musical education by the State and this is not to be disputed—much more is the possession by every scholar of a moral and religious nature a solid basis for the religious character of the system of education established and supported by the State.

A second consideration is also of importance. The responsibility of the State for her people, and the intimate connection of her own welfare with their moral and religious character, enforce the claims of the Bible and religion in public schools. There is but little questioning of the propriety of education by the State, and there is but much diversity of view on the importance of religious instruction between the friends of the Bible in the schools and many of their opponents. Religious instruction by the State is what is objected to. And yet, will the men who urge this objection against the schools, urge it also against the reformatories, penitentiaries, and prisons of the country? The Prison Association and the International Prison Congress have emphatically insisted on the Bible and religion as the best remedial measures that can be employed. But if so desirable as a means of reforming criminals, what reasonable objection can there be to their employment by the State as a preventive of crime. The State knows the fact that the youth whose moral and religious education is neglected are the very ones who fill her asylums, penitentiaries and jails. She knows also that there are tens of thousands of this class of youth whom private and Sabbath-school efforts never do reach. Shall she be debarred from acknowledging her own responsibility for them, for their own welfare, for their own sake, and for her welfare so intimately bound up with their moral and religious culture? To do her duty to them and to herself she must have a system of public education for all, and in that find place for the Bible and the great essential precepts of the Christian religion.

The third, and perhaps most important point is, that education severed from the Bible and religion becomes necessarily irreligious and unchristian. I know that many opponents of the Bible in common schools will not feel ready to concede this. They want simply neutrality in regard to the Bible and religion—nothing more. But neutrality is here impossible. A system of education that is not decidedly for the Bible and religion, is against them. It cannot be otherwise. Take an illustration. The State teaches astronomy. But according to the theory proposed it must say nothing about religion. The scholar learns of suns and systems. He asks who made them. The answer is given in one of our most popular school-books on astronomy, in the sublime language of the Bible: "Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things that bringeth out their host by number. He calleth them all by names by the greatness of His might, for that He is strong in power; not one faileth." But that is the Bible and religion, and such language must be hushed. The scholar must learn astronomy without hearing of a God, who made and upholds all things. This is the philosophy of matter and force which says that true science knows no God. Is this to be neutral?

The difficulties are even greater in the study of history. If the State, in tracing the history of the United States, goes beyond mere dates and names, and connects the events of history as cause and effect, she finds herself compelled to pass moral judgment according to some ethical and religious standard. Some superficial thinkers talk of "colorless history." Was there ever such a thing? Is Mr. Froude's history colorless? or Father Burke's, or Mr. Melne's Historical Essays? Every history of America ever accepted among us answers such questions as—Who were the Puritans? Why did they leave England? What did they do in their settlement of this country? on the basis of the Bible and Christianity. Our very dictionaries are full of the Bible and religion. Webster defines the word "right" thus: "According to the will of God." The State cannot teach the simplest reading lesson, and define the words by Webster or Worcester or Walker or Johnson without bringing the precepts of the Bible and the Christian religion into its system. To leave all this out is to make our system ambiguous and non-Christian. To expel the Bible logically leads to the expulsion of Webster's Dictionary. The question is if the Bible in the schools is really the question of the relation of all parts of the system of public instruction to the truths of the Christian religion. In regard to these there can be no *puncium indifferens*—no point of neutrality. Mr. Beecher and the *Independent* may assert that there can be neutrality. But, as a matter of fact, there never has been, and from what we have seen, cannot be. It will not do to say that our common schools do not teach agriculture, but are not, therefore, anti-agricultural. And in like manner, if our schools do not connect with themselves the Bible and religion, they are not, therefore, hostile to the Bible and religion. There is a fallacy showing careless thinking. Agriculture is not a common need of the people. Merchants and mechanics do not require a knowledge of it. But all our youth, whether they are to be farmers, mechanics, and whatever calling they may follow, need instruction in morals and religion. And the school that shuts out these, and separates astronomy and history, and definitions of words from the Bible and Christianity, distorts the truths of these branches, and makes its instructions hostile to the Divine Word and its moral standard.

II. And now as to the locality of the Bible and religion in common schools. Mr. Weaver asserts that these things, so right in themselves, have no legal basis. Let us see.

The law first establishing the common school fund of this State was passed in 1795. The same year the Free School Society of this City was incorporated. In founders in their first address, to the public, dated May 16, 1805, state: "It will be a primary object, without observing the peculiar forms of any religious society, to inculcate the sublime truths of morality and religion contained in the Holy Scriptures." This primary object was kept in view. The success of this Society was one of the chief incentives in leading the Legislature to make provision for free schools throughout the State. They wished all the children of the Commonwealth to enjoy the privileges of the same kind of schools. In 1810, Gov. Tompkins urged the Legislature to action. He repeated substantially the argument of Gov. Geo. Clinton, in 1803, and of Gov. Lewis, in 1805, for common schools for "the inculcation of correct principles and habits of morality and religion." In 1811 five Commissioners were appointed by the Legislature to report a system for the organization and establishment of common schools. These Commissioners reported a plan, of which they say in their report: "This appears to be the best plan that can be devised to disseminate religion, morality, and learning throughout the country." Of course, it made the Bible a part of the system, and gave special directions for "preserving the religious regard due to the sacred writings." Only of late, comparatively, have their been writers against the Bible. It has had an honored place for sixty years. But opposition gathers every year. It is urged more and more strenuously on the ground that the true theory of civil government, and the theory of our national constitution, is that government has nothing to do with religion. As has been seen, if the State has anything to do with education, it must have to do with religion. And, in fact, the nation always has had to do with it. In the national administration of our Government, in the use of the oath, in Christian chaplains for Congress, State Legislatures, the army, navy, and militia, for prisons and asylums, in public days of fasting and thanksgiving, the nation has acknowledged the Bible and the Christian religion. But, say the opponents, all these things, together with the Bible in our schools, are inconsistent with the Constitution, our supreme law, with which everything should be in accordance. Is does not acknowledge the Bible or the Christian religion. Our schools, therefore, with the Bible in them, and all other similar features of our national life, are out of harmony with the Constitution and its theory of government. Thus the issue is being pressed. The question is raised. It must be met. Shall we retain the Bible or not? All early State legislation is in its favor. But the fundamental law of the land is urged against it. What shall be done? say the opponents of the Bible. Put it out of our common schools, and make them conform to the constitution. But is this true statesmanship? Is this holding fast the integrity of the nation itself? This is putting the written instrument above the nation's life and vital constitution. The written constitution is made for the nation, and not the nation for its constitution, just as the Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath. And hence when this point of legality is pressed with ever-increasing multitudes of Christian citizens, we maintain that duty is to preserve the integrity of the nation under the development of its form. This is true conservatism and true patriotism. Let there be no dependence of the Church upon the State. Let each be independent in its sphere. But the Christian education of our youth in undenominational Christianity, in its moral and religious teachings, which alone can make good citizens, is vital to our country's welfare. And it this be declared illegal, and if the Constitution be made a weapon to destroy our schools which have been for sixty years the glory and safety of our land, then we must say, instead of expelling the Bible from our common schools, to make them conform to the fundamental law, which acknowledges neither God nor the Bible, we shall insert the acknowledgment of God and His law in the Constitution, and make it conform to our common schools.

Protestantism in Mexico—Sermon in Plymouth Church by a Mexican Missionary.

Plymouth Church, last evening, was filled with an attentive congregation, assembled to listen to the experiences of Rev. Hy. Reily in Mexico, with regard to the religious reformation which is now in progress in that heretofore benighted country. The exercises were begun by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, who introduced Mr. Reily. He began his subject without a text, but introduced it by saying that any part of the progress of Christianity must be precious to Christians. He then alluded to the progress made by the Mexicans for liberty, until they now had a constitution as grand as that of the United States, and liberty was now a practical fact in Mexico. He referred to the first struggle in 1821 for independence from Spain, but said that struggle had not been generally understood. The Mexicans, however, kept along in their work, until, in 1857, they gained their entire liberty. But a greater triumph was now going on. The American soldiers during the war of 1846-8 took into the country the Bible, and that holy work began to circulate among the people. It had its effect, for a further desire for knowledge was manifested, and even the Catholic priests also read it. By and by some of these priests were converted, and had the boldness to face the fanatical prejudices of the people. President Juarez encouraged them by giving to these reforming priests two churches, in which they openly preached. The French interneceum interrupted the movement, and the reforming priests were scattered. One, however, Aguilar, remained behind, and firmly taught the people; but he subsequently died from debility. Esquivel, now dead, the founder of the Evangelical Church in Mexico, which Church is now making rapid progress. The speaker threw himself into the work of reformation, and, by the aid of a printing-press, scattered tracts in the Castilian language among the people. He had, however, converted, and in the Church of San Jose de Gracio he denounced the Romish religion. The principal Romish priest challenged him to a public discussion, and the convert accepted the bold challenge. All the City of Mexico was moved by it, and all classes became interested in the expected discussion. Two platforms were erected, one for each disputant, and when the time for discussion came the Protestant preacher was present, but the Romish priest had cowardly fled, and his platform was empty. In the country the priests would tear up the Protestant's Bible in their pulpits, and encourage their followers by the promise that if they killed a Protestant, they need not fear purgatory. Under these teachings, the Pastor's house was attacked, the Protestant church burned, the Protestants driven away, and the Pastor all but killed. But the principles were not rooted out; for, shortly after, under the protection of the Liberal Party, the Protestants returned, and kneeling on the ashes of their church, they thanked God that their lives had been spared, and that they were restored to their rights of a free conscience. When the speaker left Mexico there were fifty Protestant congregations in the capital, and he had come North to ask aid from the Protestants in America to assist the laborers in their work.

At the close of Mr. Reily's remarks, Mr. Beecher made a touching appeal to the congregation, after which a collection was taken up for the Protestant Church in Mexico, and the services concluded.

Personal.

Ex-Mayor Norcross, of Boston, and ex-United States Senator Alexander McDonald, of Arkansas, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

Hon. James Tillinghast, General Superintendent of the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad; Gen. G. B. Wright, Vice-President of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad; and Gen. James Cunningham, of Massachusetts, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Judge J. G. Abbott, of Boston, is at the Brevoort House.

Major A. F. Ravenel, of South Carolina, and Capt. J. H. Withers, of Liverpool, are at the New-York Hotel.

Capt. A. Fernandez, of the Spanish Army; A. Van Vecchten, of Albany, and A. F. Laning, of Buffalo, are at the Hoffman House.

Col. Samuel Tate, of Memphis, is at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Hon. David A. Wells, of Norwich; William Shee, of England, and George Shine, of Trinidad, are at the Albemarle Hotel.

Ex-Gov. F. S. Stockdale, of Texas; Col. Bolivar Christian, of Virginia, and Juan Boyle, of Washington, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Col. T. F. Goode, of Virginia, and Dr. G. M. Weeks, of Washington, D. C., are at the Astor House.

Marriage and Divorce—Cross Suits in Herkimer.

From the Watertown Times, Dec. 7.

A queer matrimonial muddle has just been settled in Herkimer County. A certain ex-Sheriff of that county, who passed much of his time in Philadelphia, received information that his wife was unfaithful to him, and wrote her a sharp letter about it; her reply was equally sharp, and stung him into bringing suit against her paramour for destroying the peace of his family. Before the suit was concluded, the paramour left the woman for Philadelphia, and procured a divorce for her; took her to Massachusetts and married her, then took her home, and commenced a suit against the Sheriff for defamation of his wife's character. Last week the suits were both decided. The Sheriff received a verdict of $2,000 for his wife; the other man a verdict of $50 for his mistress's injured reputation. Both parties cry "quits," and are glad the thing is over.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

New-York.

The Wecker Club, a German vocal organization of recent origin, celebrated its first anniversary by a series of social diversions at the Walhalla, in Germania Assembly Rooms, last night.

The Abt-Schmaler Vocal Society gave an entertainment at the Germania Assembly Rooms, last night, consisting of vocal and musical exercises and a social dance.

At a meeting of the Board of the Five Points Colored Mission, on Saturday, it was decided to remove the Mission-house and reading-rooms from No. 241 Baxter-street to No. 128 Leonard-street.

Lawrence Kelly, the man who was run over on Saturday by an out-going New-Haven train on Fourth-avenue, near Fifty-sixth-street, and had both legs severed from his body, died yesterday at Bellevue Hospital.

Two of Brigham Young's sons have commenced the study of medicine in Salt Lake City, under Dr. G. B. Nichols, late of the Centre-street Hospital, in this City, who has taken up his residence in Salt Lake City.

At Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, before Justice Cox, Wm. Akins, of Forty-fourth-street and Eleventh-avenue, was held for trial in $1,000 bail, for feloniously assaulting Richard Markham, of No. 344 West Forty-first-street.

The girl who was run over and killed by a truck at the corner of Hudson and Duane streets, on Saturday afternoon, has been recognized as Alice Cooney, who lived with her parents at No. 9 Harrison-street. Coroner Keenan was notified to hold an inquest.

At the Turn Hall, in Fourth-street, the pupils of the girls' Turn School were yesterday afternoon, under the direction of Mr. Enpler, their instructor, engaged in an exhibition of their gymnastic accomplishments, which attracted a large attendance.

The New-York Central Barbers' Association, organized last Spring during the strike of the journeymen for a reduction of the hours of work, gave their first annual ball at the Teutonia Assembly Rooms, last night, which was fully enjoyed by all participating.

The colored people of this City will hold a meeting at Cooper Institute, on Friday next, for the purpose of expressing their abhorrence of the policy of the Spanish Government during the past four years in the Island of Cuba. Addresses will be made by Messrs. Henry H. Garnet and W. M. Saunders.

Thomas Farley, aged seventy-five, a native of Ireland, who was badly injured by falling from a Third-avenue car in Chatham-street, on the 4th inst., died on Saturday while on his way in an ambulance from Bellevue Hospital to St. Vincent's Hospital, whither he was being removed at his own urgent request.

Detective Clapp yesterday arrested Herman Rimmenthal and his wife on suspicion of having stolen a quantity of wearing apparel from Meyers' Intelligence Office, No. 607 Bowery. The prisoners rented an attic of Mrs. Meyers, and have been seen leaving the house with bundles, which is supposed to be the stolen property.

An examination was held before Justice Cox, at Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, in the case of John McMullan, of No. 227 East Twenty-third-street, accused of knocking down and robbing James Hume on Thanksgiving night. The case having been heard, Mr. Millan was committed for trial in default of $5,000 bail.

At a late hour on Saturday night Robert Ward, a sailor, aged thirty, residing in Boston, while talking about the Battery, was assaulted by some unknown persons, who struck him about the head. He was taken to the Church-street Police Station, and attended by Police Surgeon McLaurie. Search is being made for his assailants.

Thomas Tyles, a sailor, boarding at No. 85 Madison-street, was found insensible and suffering severely from injuries to his head, which, it is stated, he had received during a fight with some unknown persons some days ago. The Police of the Seventh Precinct were notified yesterday, and Capt. Mount has the matter under investigation.

Capt. Williams, of the Twenty-first Precinct, on Saturday night arrested Thomas Johnson, of No. 101 Mott-street, Wm. Wright, of No. 12 Mott-street, James Wallace, of the Newland Hotel, and Wm. Watson, of No. 46 Crosby-street, on suspicion of having stolen several watches and shawls which were found in their possession. They were taken to the Yorkville Police Court yesterday and locked up.

Yesterday morning the dead body of an unknown woman was found lying in the entry-way of the basement of No. 243 Elizabeth-street. The deceased is apparently about forty years of age, five feet four inches in height, light complexion, brown hair and eyes. She was attired in a calico dress, gray woolen petticoat, a plaid shawl, white woolen under skirt, and Congress gaiters. The Coroner will investigate the case.

Early yesterday morning as Mary Foy, aged seventeen, of No. 240 East Thirty-fifth-street, was passing through Thirty-second-street, near First-avenue, she was assaulted by Thomas Carroll, aged twenty-two, a peddler, residing at No. 323 East Thirty-second-street, who drawing her on a dark corner, grossly assaulted her. Her cries attracted the attention of Patrolman Griffin, of the Twenty-first Precinct, who arrested Carroll, and he was locked up.

BROOKLYN.

Some time Saturday night the residence of L. O. Conklin, No. 123 Willoughby-street, was entered by burglars, who stole clothing to the value of $110.

At 12 o'clock Saturday night, Francis H. Jones, of No. 458 Degraw-street, went into Jacob Euder's oyster-rooms, No. 247 Court-street, to get a glass of lager-beer, and while there was robbed of a gold hunting-case watch valued at $150.

The boy George Waitehead, who was accidentally shot by another boy named Rudolph Maltby, while playing with a pistol at No. 270 Fourteenth-street, on the 28th of November, died, yesterday morning, from the effects of the wound.

Last evening Daniel Jane, aged forty-five years, residing at No. 5 Mercelne street, while passing along James-street was struck on the head by a stone thrown by Joseph Eustace, inflicting a severe wound. Jane was conveyed home by his friends, and Eustace was arrested and locked up.

John McKenna and Chas Reilly, aged respectively fourteen and fifteen years, were arrested, Saturday night, for breaking into Roebuck & Bros.' tin factory, No. 42 Tiffany-place, and stealing $30 worth of zinc. Harmon Heiser, a junk-dealer at No. 9 Irving-street, was also arrested as a receiver of the stolen property.

LONG ISLAND.

Crews are to be placed in the life-saving stations along the south side of Long Island shortly, for the Winter.

The sloop Sarah, of Greenport, struck a rock in Long Island Sound, a few nights since and sunk. She was valued at $1,200.

The Suffolk County Sabbath School Association will hold its annual session at Bay Shore, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 10th and 11th inst.

Mr. John Leguire, of Sag Harbor, was shot through the shoulder on Saturday by a friend, near whom he was standing, and who was carelessly handling a gun.

A little daughter of Mr. John Lightning, aged ten years, was killed by a passing train while crossing the Long Island Railroad, about a mile east of Newtown village, on Friday evening.

The Suffolk County Mutual Insurance Company propose, by legal means, to resist the payment of their alleged liability, incurred by a fire, which occurred in the premises of Mr. Pearsall, at Babylon, last October.

James M. Osborn, of Greenport, has been committed to the Suffolk County Jail to await the action of the Grand Jury on a charge of burglary, the property recently stolen from several Greenport stores having been found at his residence.

The Universalists of Huntington will hold a two days' conference meeting, on Wednesday and Thursday. On the afternoon of Thursday Rev. E. C. Lansing will be installed as pastor of the First Universalist Church, Rev. J. M. Pullman, of New-York, preaching the installation sermon.

Rev. George Lansing, pastor of the Methodist Church, in Hempstead, alluded to Horace Greeley in a sermon, on the 1st inst., in which he warmly praised his character generally, but condemned him for his recent political course. Much feeling has been created for and against the pastor, and yesterday, he again alluded to the matter, reiterating what he had before said.

NEW-JERSEY.

Dennis Donahue, a resident of West-street, Newark, was found lying insensible in front of a house near the Twelfth Ward School-house, on Saturday night, with two of his ribs broken and his skull fractured. Whether he met with his injuries by accident, or was assaulted, has not been learned.

The anniversary of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be celebrated today at the Halsey-street Church, Newark, at which addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Eddy, Rev. Dr. Butler, and Dr. Spencer. The religious services were held yesterday in all the Methodist churches in the city before large audiences.

Summary Assault on Women.

Last evening a well-dressed ruffian walked down Bleecker-street, amusing himself by assaulting almost every woman he met. When near Greene-street he assaulted three women, and one of them was kicked severely in the back, causing the blood to flow in a few minutes. Some gentlemen who were passing interfered, and the ruffian ran away. The woman was taken to Schofield's drug-store, corner of Wooster and Bleecker streets, but the proprietor rudely ejected her, and refused to attend to her injuries. But for the timely arrival of the Police the store-windows would have been smashed in by the excited crowd who had gathered on the spot.

The City Mission Society.

A religious meeting of more than ordinary interest was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth-street and Second-avenue, yesterday. The meeting was called for the purpose of recounting the progress of the New-York City Mission and Church Extension Society. After prayer by Rev. Mr. Bodwick, the pastor, the meeting was addressed by Rev. William Ketchum, Rev. W. C. Steele, and Wm. K. Porter, who described the labors of the Society since the date of its establishment by Wm. Cornell, in 1866. As a result, fifteen churches and stations had been erected, fourteen Sunday-schools built, and during the last year 50,527 visits were made to families. In the past year $85,000 were spent by the Society, which now owns property in the City valued at over $250,000; and the work of increasing the means of alleviating the condition of the poor was being carried on with renewed vigor.

Havana Weekly Market.

HAVANA, Dec. 7.—Sugar—Private advices more unfavorable than public. Merchants refuse to purchase, owing to the high demands of holders. Stock nominal; quotations nominal; contract business very small. Sugar at Havana and Matanzas—Stock in warehouse, 60,000 boxes and 325 hhds.; receipts of the week, 470 boxes and 25 hhds.; exported during the week, 9,700 boxes and 25 hhds., including 3,000 boxes and all the molasses for the United States. Molasses quiet and weak at $10@$10 50 ⅌ gallon. Butter in fair demand. Superior American, $22@27; Goshen, $29@30 ⅌ quintal. Flour quiet and steady. Wax—Unchanged. Lard quiet and steady. Rice very reasonably lower. Potatoes quiet. Tallow buoyant at $12 75@$14 ⅌ quintal. Onions heavy. Coal-oil steady. Empty Hogsheads nominal at $3 75@$4. Lumber in fair demand. Shingles—Cedar, Long Island, $7@$8; Long Shaved, $7@$8; Short Shaved, $6@$7 ⅌ thousand. Freights flat and nominal.

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Passengers Arrived.

In steam-ship General Barnes, from Savannah.—A. Rood, Miss Anna Richmond, Miss Chalker, M. Welsh, J. Beckett, A. Lavaliere, S. L. Robbins and wife.

In steam-ship St. Thomas, from Kingston, Jam., &c.—Jas. Biddle, Louis Leach, Vivian Finnie, Mrs. J. C. Hendricques and 2 children, Miss S. Lawaire, Mr. De Sola, Mr. Powell, Mrs. Rossmeier, Mr. Bavasino, Mr. Foster, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bentley.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.....7:14 | Sun sets.....4:33 | Moon rises.....1:24
Hell Gate.....9:47 | WATER-TIME.—Sandy Hook, 8:47 | Gov. Island, 9:35 | Hell Gate.....12:35

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....SUNDAY, Dec. 8.

Arrived.

Steam-ship Gen. Barnes, Mallory, Savannah 5th inst., with mdse. and passengers to William R. Garrison.

Steam-ship South Carolina, Beckett, Charleston 5th inst., with mdse. and passengers to Henry R. Morgan & Co.

Steam-ship Hatteras, Lawrence, Norfolk, with mdse. and passengers to Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.

Steam-ship Chesapeake, Mangano, Portland, with mdse. to J. P. Ammen.

Ship Chinaman, (of London,) McKenzie, Shanghai Aug. 1, with tea and braid to Oyphant & Co.—vessel to R. E. Morgan's Sons. Passed Anjier Sept. 17, Cape of Good Hope Oct. 10, and reported the equator Nov. 10, in lon. 23; had heavy W. winds down the China Sea; was 8 ds. off Paracelis with heavy N. W. gales; from thence moderate weather.

Bark Idaho, Richardson, Cienfuegos 21 ds., with sugar to Tucker & Lightbourne. Had heavy weather up to Hatteras, from thence 6 ds., with moderate weather. Nov. 24, lat. 33 30, lon. 64 36, passed schr. Mary Emma, bound S.

Bark Iona, (New,) Horn of sod 11 ds. from Picton, N. S., with coal to Bird, Perkins & Job—vessel to Geo. H. Brewer. Had fine weather up to Montauk Point, from thence to 40 deg. W., with a succession of strong S. W., W., and N. W. gales.

Bark Neptune, (Aust.) Gutrovich, Smyrna Sept. 20, via Gibraltar 26 ds., with licorice-root to order—vessel to Wm. Nelson. Had fine weather to Gibraltar, thence moderate weather to Bermuda, from thence 12 ds., with strong W. gales.

Bark Antonietta C., (Ital.) Saccarino, Malaga 23 ds., with mdse. to Hudson, Walton & Co.—vessel to Slocovich & Co. Passed Gibraltar Oct. 29; took the southern passage, and had moderate weather to Bermuda, from thence 16 ds., with strong W. gales.

Bark Waldo, Pressey, Seville 40 ds., with cork, lead, &c. to T. Osborn, Son & Co.—vessel to E. W. Eastwood. Had fine weather to 40 deg. W., and then fine weather up to Nov. 22, since, a succession of strong W. gales; was 15 ds. W. of Bermuda.

Brig Lady Mary, (of Quebec,) De Roy, Nagualo, P. R., 16 ds., with sugar to Wm. Lawrence—vessel to master. From the lat. of Bermuda to Hatteras had strong N. and N. W. gales; from thence 4 ds., with fine weather.

Brig Ellen Maria, (of Bangor,) Horie, Darien, Ga., 8 ds., with yellow pine to Kenney & Ross—vessel to S. C. Lord & Co. Had moderate weather.

Schr. Geo. S. Fogg, Ryder, Providence, for Virginia.

Schr. Chas. A. Greiner, Harvey, Providence, for Elizabethport.

Schr. Rolla Brown, Nash, Dix Island, with stone to Bridge Company.

Schr. Leonora, Wilcox, Nantucket, with fish to G. B. Miller.

Schr. Success, Richards, New-London, for Elizabethport.

Schr. Theo. Dean, Thrasher, Taunton, for Baltimore.

Schr. Ella Barnes, Avery, Fall River, for Baltimore.

Schr. Judge Runyon, Lewis, New-Haven, for Elizabethport.

Schr. Connecticut, Stevens, New-Haven, for Elizabethport.

Schr. A. P. Kindberg, Thomas, New-Haven, for Baltimore.

Schr. Edward Lindsley, Hill, New-Haven, for Elizabethport.

Schr. Old Zach, Beane, New-Haven, for Elizabethport.

Schr. A. G. Lawson, Fitzpatrick, Providence, for Croton.

Schr. Justina, Kenniston, Rockland, with lime to J. B. Brown.

Schr. David Sprague, Potter, Nantucket, with fish to Beall, Wood.

Schr. Nightingale, Beebe, Providence, for Philadelphia.

Schr. Marietta Hand, Hallock, Providence,